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Ale festival tickets up for grabs to readers

REAL ale fans will be descending on Oswestry next month and you could be joining them free of charge thanks to your Oswestry Chronicle.

Readers have the chance to win six pairs of tickets to the fifth Oswestry Real Ale Festival which takes place on April 5, 6 and 7.

Some of the finest beers from around Shropshire will be available to sample at the festival including ale from Oswestry's Stonehouse Brewery, organisers have said.

About 25 casks of local ales will be available at the event, organised by the Lions Club of Oswestry and taking place at Memorial Hall in Smithfield Street in April. The tickets offer free entry, four free halves of beer and a commemorative tankard.

To win all you have to do is be one of the six entrants drawn out of the hat to answer the following question correctly. Return your answer together with your name and contact telephone number to Real Ale Competition, Oswestry Chronicle, 14 Salop Road, Oswestry, SY11 2NU before noon on Tuesday, March 26.

Question: Which Real Ale Festival will this be?

Answer: A. Third B. Fourth C. Fifth.

● Success - See Page 17

Shoe shop is to close

THE Oswestry branch of Stead and Simpson will close on Tuesday after being given notice to quit its current premises by its landlord - but bosses promise it will return to the town in a larger store and the seven staff will keep their jobs.

Spokeswoman Naomi Shefford said: "We are looking forward to coming back to Oswestry in the summer in a much bigger and better store and hope that our customers will be patient with us until that happens."

"We are hoping to open our new store in the summer."



Tristan Hartey

Guest speaker named for business awards

TRISTAN Hartey of the Charlotte Hartey Foundation will be the guest speaker at the Oswestry & Border Chronicle Business Awards presentation night.

Twenty-two year old Mr Hartey, a wealth manager at Applewood Associates and brother of the late Charlotte, will speak at the function at Lion Quays Resort on May 1.

The Charlotte Hartey Foundation provides funding to start-up businesses, youth clubs, schools and organisations.

The foundation was set up by Charlotte's family in her memory after she died tragically at the age of 16 in July, 2009 after being misdiagnosed with swine flu.

"We offer practical and financial support to the young people who need it most when starting up in business," said Mr Hartey. "We help develop key skills, confidence and motivation, enabling young people to fulfil their business dreams and potential."

"We support young people aged 16 to 25 to work out if their business ideas are viable and whether self-employment is right for them."

"Depending on the outcome of this process, the programme can then offer financial support to start a business or secure goals in employment, education or training."

Judging for the awards took place this week when an independent panel sat alongside sponsors. Finalists will be announced in The Chronicle on April 4.

Up to 200 finalists, guests and sponsors will attend the glittering ceremony at the Lion Quays to see the best in local business honoured by The Chronicle.

Protest at housing plans near monument

BUILDING homes close to an iron age hill fort at Oswestry could cause irreparable damage to the ancient monument's potential as a visitor attraction.

Oswestry Chamber of Commerce is objecting to land near the Old Oswestry Hill Fort being included in Shropshire Council's Allocations and Management of Development (SAMDev) draft policy.

Members say they are strongly against housing going up in the shadow of the monument.

Martin Anderson, chairman of the chamber, said: "Old Oswestry Hill Fort is an ancient monument comparable in importance to the world renowned Maiden Castle in Dorset."

"Members recognise the need for more affordable houses, but this important local asset should be protected and 'developed' in a sensitive manner that enhances the Hill Fort as a visitor attraction, as part of an integrated tourism strategy."

The chamber says that the local economy will become increasingly dependent on income from tourism in the coming years, taking advantage of the many local attractions.

750 SIGN SCHOOL CROSSING PETITION

PARENTS have demanded safety improvements near a village school to protect their children from the 'atrocious' driving of speeding motorists.

More than 750 people in Gobowen have signed petitions calling for a pedestrian crossing on St Martins Road amid worries that speeding traffic along the main route will lead to a fatal accident.

The petitions were submitted to Shropshire Council's protecting and enhancing our environment committee on Monday.

Councillors agreed a safe crossing would be one of the first to be considered under Shropshire Council's new road safety policy framework, a strategy which gives added weight to campaigns that highlight community concern and have parish councils' backing.

The campaign received widespread support in Gobowen after the Safer Roads Partnership in West Mercia, who have sited a speed van on the road on a regular basis since October 2011, revealed about 1,300 motorists a day are breaking the 30mph speed limit on the road.

Speeding

Parents taking their children to Gobowen Primary School said the high level of speeding had become a huge problem.

Claire Edwards, who walks her six-year-old daughter Cassie along St Martins Road to school, said: "The cars only slow down when the speed van is there."

"You can tell when the speed van is not there because the cars come flying along."

"The council know there is a problem here crossing the road because my mum Hazel Edwards was the lollipop lady here for 30 years."

"A lot of older children walk to school without their parents and your heart is in your mouth when you see the kids trying to cross St Martins Road."

Bridget Laraway, who crosses St Martins Road with eight-year-old Ben and Katy, six, said the driving was atrocious on the road.

"We have had lollipop patrols but a cross-

by Iain St John

ing is a long term and sustainable alternative. I think having a crossing here would make people more aware of the speed they are doing and help bring down the speed of traffic."

Steve Jones, who crosses St Martins Road with his six-year-old son Finlay, said: "I went to the council meeting on Monday and things seem very promising."

Grandfather Malcolm Titley, who takes his seven-year-old granddaughter Emily Williams to school along St Martins Road, said: "I went to the council meeting on Monday night and they said they would do something and we have to make sure that they do."

Donna St John, who walks along St Martins Road to take seven-year-old son Joseph and four-year-old daughter Jessica to school, said: "I have seen cars leave the road and hit a telegraph pole and a lamppost in two separate crashes along St Martins Road. A crossing is badly needed."

And Barry Williams, who uses St Martins Road to take six-year-old son Jack to school and four-year-old son Dylan to pre-school, said: "They could use just a portion of the money the speed vans make on fines to pay for the crossing."

Roll up for circus family fun



Jugglers Hanza and Jitka Balik. Picture: Peter Flemmich.

ROLL UP, roll up - the big top is in town.

Circus Funtasia pitched up in Oswestry on Wednesday to entertain audiences with a dazzling display of death-defying acts.

Performances will be at Oswestry Showground, in Park Hall, until Sunday and will feature clowns, jugglers, acrobats, a breath-taking high wire act and the high-speed 'Wheel of Death', which ringmistress Tracey Jones says will leave audiences with their hearts in their mouths. Also making an appearance will be superhero Spider-Man.

Tracey, who was born in Welshpool and educated in Oswestry before joining the circus aged 16, said: "It's great to be bringing the show to my home town."

"The show is beyond expectations. There is something for everyone whether it's comedy or amazing acrobatics."

She runs Circus Funtasia as a family affair. Tracey's nine-year-old daughter Nia and acrobat husband Julio take part in the shows. There are no animal acts in the show, which lasts an hour and 35 minutes.

Rally day fun for race fans

WELSHPOOL will be buzzing to the sound of finely tuned rally cars from April 6 when the town hosts the Rally North Wales.

And organisers have confirmed that more than 150 cars have already entered for Welshpool-based event.

The town, and its surrounding area, will receive a huge cash shot in the arm as scores of teams along with up to 3,000 travelling spectators, converge on the area for a weekend of fuel injected thrills and spills.

Welshpool Town Council is arranging activities and stalls to coincide with the ceremonial start, with cars flagged away at noon.

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They nose how to have fun for Comic Relief cash

Service is attended by county dignitaries



Early years and childcare group and the health and social care group at Walford College, baked cakes to sell at the Oswestry college campus. In the picture are Vicki Boy, Kelly Jarvis, Hannah Babbidge, Natalie Davies, Ffion Davies, Chloe Jones, Hannah Vaughan, Charlotte Jandrell, Jayden Mitchell, Emily Price and Katie Roberts.



Osfest's Carly Jackson celebrates Red Nose Day with pupils Katie Davies and Gabriella Edwards at The Marches School.

BIG-HEARTED fundraisers were out in force in the Oswestry area for Comic Relief.

One of the more unusual events saw the Marches School's library transformed into a radio station for the day.

Crowds gathered in the library during breaks to see Year 8 pupils Amy Rowley, Mia Forbes, Katie Davies and Gabriella Edwards interview guests and report on activities taking place around school.

Staff from Sainsbury's in Oswestry took part in numerous fundraising activities in the store including riding an exercise bike in the foyer, selling cakes, and dressing up as Easter bunnies.

Two staff travelled to Stoke City football ground to take part in a mass Gangnam style dance.

Junior and senior pupils at Adcote School, near Oswestry, helped out with fundraising. Many of the girls took part in the non-uni-



From left, Michael Manning, Andrew Ball and Claire Barker at Sainsbury's in Oswestry.



Pupils at Adcote School held a sponsored car wash.

form day and a sponsored car wash, and opened a stall with home-baked cakes and buns.

Their fundraising efforts saw them collect a total of £560.

At St Andrew's Primary School, in Nesscliffe, pupils used their mathematical understanding of circles to create a giant red nose on the hall floor made from 1p, 2p and 5p pieces totalling £93.05

They also dressed up as monsters or in red clothes and made cakes and biscuits to eat at playtime.

In total, the school raised £215.26 for Comic Relief.

The BT network communications centre near Oswestry was used as a pledge centre on Red Nose Day.

The centre received about 1,700 calls, generating £43,000 for the cause. It was the second time the centre had been used and staff worked through the evening to make sure as many people as possible wanting to donate money to the charity could get through to make their cash pledges.

SCORES of dignitaries arrived at an Oswestry church to take part in the High Sheriff's legal service on Sunday.

Those attending the event at St Oswald's Church in Oswestry included Lord-Lieutenant Algernon Heber-Percy, the Bishop of Lichfield, the Bishop of Ludlow and the high Sheriffs from Staffordshire, Worcester and Herefordshire.

There were also magistrates and judges from all around Shropshire and the deputy chief constable of West Mercia Police.

The service started at 3pm with a procession into the church.

It was hosted by the High Sheriff of Shropshire John Abram and led by Reverend Simon Thorburn.

The service included presentations to magistrates for their 20 years long service.

Mr Abram said: "It was a magnificent day. There were about 400 in the church."

"It was very colourful. The choir was magnificent and sang an anthem which was wonderful."

"The service moves round the community and tends to be where the sheriff lives. I live in Oswestry and I am pleased to have it in my home town."

Pub lunch and walk for group

WELSHPOOL Ramblers hold their annual short walk and pub lunch on Sunday centred on the Navigation Inn at Maesbury Marsh.

Walkers are asked to meet at the pub car park at 10am when lunch will be preceded by a five-mile walk along the canal towpath, adjoining footpaths and lanes, led by Sandra and Vic Smith. For further information call (01743) 884930.

Advance notice is given for the walk on April 7, scheduled for Newtown.

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Working together
plea on
tourism

AN appeal for tourism bosses to work together better to promote Mid Wales was made in Welshpool.

The event, held during Wales' Tourism Week at Powis Castle, was attended by Montgomeryshire MP Glyn Davies and Assembly Member Russell George, who were joined by county, town and community councillors, where they were able to network with tourism business owners.

She said: "The call for better partnership working came from MWT's chief executive Val Hawkins, who wants limited tourism resources in Mid Wales to have the maximum benefit."

"We need to pool our knowledge and expertise and share resources," she said. "We would like to see the public funded bodies working together with the business community to make better use of the limited resources available to promote tourism."

"There is definitely room for better partnership working to meet the challenges that lie ahead. Together we can help to create a more sustainable industry."

The event saw the launch of the new www.visitmidwales.co.uk website, which has in excess of 2,000 individual pages.

Mrs Hawkins described it as a "one stop shop for visitors to Mid Wales".

Ramblers off on
a four-mile trek

OSWESTRY Ramblers will travel to Rhydyroesau today (Thursday) for a four-and-a-half-mile walk.

Walkers will meet in the Lloyd Street car park in Oswestry to leave at 10am.

On Sunday there will be an eight-mile walk around Cressage and a five-and-a-half-mile walk along Trevor Rocks, near Llangollen.

Theft fear led football club
boss to drive at 91mph

by Andrew Morris

A BUSINESSMAN and managing director of The New Saints FC sped away from an unmarked police car at 91mph because he was scared the car was being driven by burglars who were following him home.

Mike Harris, 49, the former owner of telecommunications business Total Network Solutions, had panicked as he sped along the A483 between Arddleen and Welshpool on January 31 last year when the car followed him for 11 miles.

Harris, of Middletown, near Welshpool, told Welshpool Magistrates Court on Tuesday that The New Saints' The Venue home ground had been targeted by professional thieves twice in December 2011.

He said that after locking up at The Venue on January 31, 2012, he was driving home in his white Nissan Qashqai at 9.50pm through Llanymynech when a car began following him, causing him to believe he was being followed by the burglars who he worried would demand the keys to The Venue's safe.

Concerns

Harris admitted a charge of driving at 91.88mph in a 60mph zone at an earlier hearing, but appeared at the court on Tuesday for a special reasons hearing to avoid a ban. Magistrates listened to his concerns that he was being followed and agreed he had special reasons for driving at the speed.

They gave him three points on his licence, a £350 fine and ordered him to pay £60 costs and a £15 victim surcharge.

Mr Peter Swanson, chair of the bench, said: "We understand that The Venue had been targeted by professional thieves twice in the weeks leading up to this offence."

"You tried to speed to see if the car would pull you over and it would be the police, but instead it carried on following for 11 miles before finally pulling you over. The only thing that troubles us is that when you were finally pulled over you didn't tell the police you thought they were the burglars."

Harris said: "I was planning on driving to Shrewsbury Police Station as it is the closest manned station. The reason I never told the police my fears when I was pulled over was because Mr Nasty Cop gave me a dressing down and I didn't want to anger him."

Mr Robert Blakemore, prosecuting, asked Harris, why he hadn't used his mobile phone to call the police. He answered: "I don't have a hands free set and I would've been here again for committing another motoring offence."

National Grid
unveils details
of power plan

NATIONAL Grid has revealed it expects to use both overhead pylons and underground cables to carry power from windfarms through Shropshire and Mid Wales to the main electricity network.

Officials at the power firm have unveiled their plan in their spring 2013 newsletter, which is being distributed to households affected by the controversial plans.

Campaigners had hit out at plans to run a trail of pylons through the Shropshire and Mid Wales countryside, claiming it would spoil the area.

National Grid wants to build a 400,000-volt electricity line across the Shropshire border to feed the electricity generated from windfarms in Mid Wales into the national power network.

It plans to construct an electricity substation at Cefn Coch west of Welshpool, from where overhead lines and possibly some underground cables, will travel via Llansantffraid, south of Llanymynech, and Oswestry to Lower Frankton. There it will join the National Grid's main network which runs north south through Shropshire.

In the newsletter National Grid said: "Based on our assessments to date, we expect the connection to be a combination of overhead and underground."

"We understand people have concerns about overhead lines, and would prefer us to construct the connection underground, but visual effect is just one of the factors we must consider."

Honey brew causes a buzz



Pam Honeyman from Monty's Brewery and Scott Davies from Hilltop Honey toast the success of the honey ale.

TWO finalists in last year's Powys Business Awards have toasted the success of collaboration after a specially brewed honey beer sold out within 10 days.

A conversation between Pam Honeyman from Monty's Brewery, at Montgomery and Scott Davies from Hilltop Honey, Newtown resulted in 30 casks – 2,160 pints – of Hilltop Golden Honey Ale being brewed.

The beer, which had alcohol content of 3.6 per cent, sold out within 10 days as customers across Mid and North Wales and as

far away as Manchester found it to their taste. Hilltop Honey supplied four kilos of honey for the brew.

Such was the success of the trial that both businesses plan to repeat the collaboration to produce a second batch of the honey beer for next January.

"The beer wasn't overly sweet, but the honey gave it a nice, rounded finish," said Pam. "It was a nice beer to drink after the excesses of Christmas and we plan to repeat it for next January."

Delight as
ball adds
£5,000 to
funds bid

A FUNDRAISER got an unexpected surprise when a charity ball in Oswestry raised more than £5,000.

Sara Pickstock is taking part in a three-peak challenge in June for Marie Curie Cancer and held the ball at The Walls Restaurant to help raise funds.

But instead of raising hundreds of pounds she managed to collect £5,500 from generous people attending the event.

The 26-year-old, who is marketing director at JR Pickstock Ltd in Oswestry, said: "I want to say a very big thank you to everyone who supported the cause. I am very happy at the amount we raised."

"I will continue to try and fundraise to keep raising money to have a big cheque to hand over to Marie Curie Cancer Care."

Sara is currently training for the three peak challenge for the cancer charity in memory of Martin Thorpe, a friend and colleague, who died last year after battling with cancer.

The challenge has been named Martin's Mountains and will involve walking up three mountains in three countries: Ben Nevis in Scotland, Scafell Pike in England and Snowdon in Wales.

Artists' group
has workshop

A WORKSHOP will be held next month for artists in Oswestry to help them reproduce a master piece.

A well-known art piece, yet to be revealed, will be divided into sections for members of Oswestry and District Society of Artists to use and create their interpretations. The workshop, called Mix and Match a Masterpiece, is on April 14.

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NEWS

Skatepark fun for fundraisers

MONTHS OF fundraising paid off when youngsters got to use their £2,000 skatepark for the first time.

Members of Llanymynech Youth Club have bought six pieces of mobile skatepark equipment, which they were able to try out for the first time in the car park of the village hall. They started fundraising in December and managed to raise about £2,000 for the equipment thanks to a £750 cash grant for the project from the St Oswald and Llanymynech Local Joint Committee's funding. They also received cash from the Charlotte Hartley Foundation and cash from Oswestry and District Sports Council.

by Chrissy Symmons

On Saturday the youngsters were showing off their bike, scooter and skateboard tricks. Declan Marsden, 13 from Pant, said: "We have been raising money by cycling round Lake Vyrnwy and we have been to lots of meetings to get grants."

"It is nice to finally get the equipment. We haven't had anything for a long time so we were using the kerbs. This equipment is much better and a lot of fun. It was worth all the fundraising."

James Ellis, 14 from Llanymynech, said: "It is really good to have the equipment. We can now practise all our moves. Before we were having to go to Oswestry and other places but now we have it here on our doorstep."

"We thought about getting it in the summer and asked Carol Jones from the youth club and she has been a really big help."

Carol Jones, youth club leader, said: "It is nice to have somewhere safe for them. They used to go on the roads and pavements, it was an accident waiting to happen."

The Llanymynech and Pant Parish Council agreed for the ramps to be placed on the playing fields in the village as long as the young people were able to raise the cash themselves. A spokesman for the parish council said: "The equipment is really brilliant and the children enjoy it."

The youth project also includes plans to also have a permanent base for the equipment.



Youngsters were delighted with the new skate park equipment.



James Ellis, 14, having a great time on one of the ramps. Pictures: Peter Flemmich.

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Man jailed for raiding home

A 23-YEAR-old man who took part in the 'cowardly' ransacking of a woman's home in Ellesmere has been jailed for 16 months.

Adam Jones, of Cherry Drive, Ellesmere, admitted burglary with intent to cause criminal damage at Shrewsbury Crown Court.

The court heard how on July 24, 2012, Jones and two friends forced entry into the home in Church Street, Ellesmere. The property was then ransacked by the three men who caused £400 damage.

Kevin Jones, prosecuting, said: "This lady was living alone."

"On July 24 she left the address and returned on the morning of July 25. Upon entering the property she found it had been trashed both upstairs and downstairs."

Debra White, mitigating, said Jones believed he had been receiving threats from the woman and the attack was not premeditated. Judge Robin Onions said: "It was an attack against a vulnerable victim."

Please join us for our *Holy Week & Easter Services*
at
St. Oswald's Parish Church, Oswestry
Everyone welcome

Sunday 24th March

10.15 am: Blessing of Palms, Procession & Eucharist

Introit: Pueri Hebraeorum - Victoria

Setting: Archer - St. Albans Service

Anthem: God so loved the world - Chilcott

6.30 pm: Come & Sing Stainer's 'Crucifixion'

3.00 pm: Rehearsal followed by tea Performance 6.30 pm.

All are welcome to sing - just turn up for Rehearsal.

If possible bring a copy of the music

Thursday 28th March

Maundy Thursday

7.30 pm: Solemn Eucharist of the Last Supper

(Sung by the Choral Scholars & Adult Choir)

Setting: Darke in F

Anthem: Wash me thoroughly - Handel

Tradiderunt me - Victoria

Following the service there will be watching at the Altar of Repose until

11.40 pm: Close of the Watch - Compline

(sung to Plainsong by the Adult Choir)

Friday 29th March

Good Friday

10.00 am: Family Service

(Sung by the Junior Choir & Choral Scholars)

Anthem: Carol of the Atonement - English trad

12.00 noon: Three Hours Devotions

Saturday 30th March

Holy Saturday

7.30 pm: Easter Vigil

(Sung by the Choral Scholars & Adult Choir)

Anthem: Hail gladdening light - Stainer

Exultet: Plainsong

Anthem: Maria Magdelene - Gabrieli

Sunday 31st March

Easter Day

10.30 am: Festival Eucharist

Setting: Archer - St. Albans Service

Anthem: Hallelujah Chorus (from Messiah) - G.F. Handel

6.30 pm: Festal Evensong

Introit: This joyful Eastertide - Ledger

Canticles: Murrill in E

Responses: Rose

Anthem: Blesséd be the God and Father - S.S. Wesley

NEWS

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Delight as brewery scoops top award for popular ale

Care home is unveiled



Maria Williams, senior care assistant, left, with Judy Shone, marketing co-ordinator, centre and Coverage Care Chief Executive David Coull in the reception area at the care home. Picture: Ian Sheppard.

DOORS to a £6.9m care home in Oswestry opened to the public yesterday (Wednesday).

The new Fairholme care home, in Shrewsbury Road, will be ready for residents next month but yesterday (Wednesday) people were able to have a look inside.

The home has 88 large ensuite bedrooms, communal and dining areas and private gardens.

Work on the new site started back in October 2011 and has been completed on schedule. Chief executive of Coverage Care, David Coull, said: "The building offers the highest quality of nursing and care facilities."

He said the new home will enhance the services available in the area as it will offer residential care with nursing for older people as their requirements may change.

It also offers provision for daytime care services all on the same site.

Coverage Care is a not-for profit organisation across 16 sites around Shropshire. It employs around 1,000 staff and provides a range of care services for more than 1,600 mainly older people.

The new care home will create eight new jobs on top of the 100 people who already work at the current Fairholme building.

AN OSWESTRY brewery has beaten off 600 others from across the country to win gold at a national event.

Stonehouse Brewery, based in Weston near Oswestry, has seen its popular Station Bitter given top marks at the Society of Independent Brewers national awards.

The beer was named best in category in the standard beer class at the event in Sheffield and Shane Parr, co-owner of Stonehouse Brewery, was presented with the award by actor Neil Morrissey.

Shane said: "We are still in a state of shock over this but everyone I've spoken to since says they aren't surprised because Station Bitter is a great beer."

"This award is something we would never have dreamed of getting when we started up six years ago. It is really a credit to everyone working at the brewery."

"We have been making Station Bitter since the start and it is the best selling bitter by far. It is nice to have a bit of recognition for it."

Quality

He was handed an engraved crystal award for the achievement.

Mr Parr said Salopian Brewery won gold for its Golden Thread in the Champion Strong Bitters and gold for Oracle in the Champion Bottled Gold Beers.

He said: "The fact that Shropshire has numerous award winning breweries, that push each other on quality and standards, can only be good for customers."

Stonehouse Brewery is currently constructing a new building with help from £32,000 grant funding from Shropshire Council's Market Towns Revitalisation Programme and £5,000 from Shropshire and Herefordshire Business Enterprise Fund.

It is hoped the building will become a new tourism attraction and that there will be the opportunity to take on extra staff.

It will be a new base as well as a visitor centre.

For more information about the brewery visit www.stonehousebrewery.co.uk

by Chrissy Symmons

Event shows off technology

HUNDREDS of schools and businesses were treated to displays of the most cutting edge digital technology on the market at an open event in Oswestry.

Oswestry company Micro Plus Computers organised the technology showcase at the Lion Quays Hotel, which saw state-of-the-art technology such as augmented reality glasses and interactive projector systems on display.

By 4pm, more than 400 people had passed through, and by the end of the day the crowd was estimated to have topped 550.

Event organiser Peter Stokes said: "The event really was about letting people know the products or services that we do, but more than that it is showing people solutions and products that are out there."

"From the feedback we have had, some people have seen things that they didn't know existed, particularly around tablets and touch screens."

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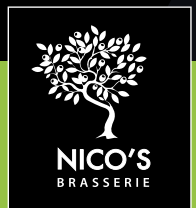
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Crackdown for drivers flouting law on seatbelts

POLICE in Powys have started a new campaign urging people to belt up when they are out and about on the roads.

The All Wales Seatbelt Campaign will see officers cracking down on motorists and passengers who refuse to belt up.

Officers will be on patrol stopping and fining drivers and passengers of all ages who flout the law.

Assistant Chief Constable Carl Langley said: "Wearing a seat belt is such a simple, easy thing to do. As police officers, we see the consequences of driving without a seatbelt all too often at crash scenes.

"While you will face a fine if you are caught without your seatbelt on, the key message we are trying to get across is that wearing a seatbelt really could mean the difference between life and death - and that applies just as much to passengers as it does to drivers.

"It's such a simple act to carry out and we will con-

tinue to work closely with our partners in tackling these issues."

Motorists and passengers caught out in the crackdown could receive a £60 fixed penalty notice or be summoned to court where they could face fines of up to £500.

Susan Storch, chairman of Road Safety Wales said: "We want to encourage people to recognise the dangers of not wearing a seatbelt and we know that there are still people across Wales who are taking that risk.

"Wearing a seatbelt can mean the difference between life and death so drivers and passengers need to realise the importance of belting up not only for their own safety but for others also."

The enforcement campaign will run throughout Wales until March 24.

January 31 this year was the 30th anniversary of the law requiring all drivers to wear their seatbelts.

Judge dismisses appeal of man with 'appalling' record

A 20-YEAR-old Morda man with an 'appalling' record of breaking court orders was lucky to be jailed for only a year, according to a crown court judge.

Judge Robin Onions last Friday rejected an appeal against the sentence imposed on Daniel Mooney for breaching a non-molestation order and an anti-social behaviour order.

Mooney, of Weston Close, Morda, had been sentenced to six months on each charge, to run consecutively, when he appeared before Shrewsbury magistrates in February.

At his appeal at Shrewsbury Crown Court, Judge Onions told Mooney he had been lucky to get only 12 months.

Judge Onions said: "He is lucky he wasn't committed for sentence because he wouldn't have got 12 months from me.

"His record is appalling.

"There are 16 or 17 breaches of an anti-social behaviour order and this is the third or fourth breach of an anti-molestation order.

"This is the worst record I have ever seen for breach of ASBOs."

Ignoring

He told Mooney: "You are entitled to credit for your plea of guilty and the justices made it very clear that credit was reflected in the fact they did not commit you to this court for sentence because their powers were inadequate.

"You go on ignoring court orders. I have never seen someone with 16 breaches of ASBOs. You obviously think it doesn't apply to you.

"The only mistake that was made was

by Graham Breeze

that the justices should have committed you here for sentence."

Mr Kevin Jones, prosecuting, said Mooney had gone to his former partner's house despite an anti-molestation order banning him from going within 100m of her home.

He was drunk, shouting and abusive, and swore at a police officer in breach of the terms of his anti-social behaviour order.

Mr Stephen Scully, defending, said Mooney thought the order had expired and said he had been taken to the street by someone else, without realising where he was.

He said: "He should have walked away and he didn't. He accepted he was wrong."

He said Mooney had a new partner and had moved out of Shrewsbury.

"He is determined to put his past behind him," he added.

Festival tickets up for grabs



Selling Osfest tickets at the Orthopaedic Hospital. Back from left, Leonie Shaffer, from the Orthopaedic, and Zoe Whittles, from Osfest. Front, from left, Hayley Davies, from the Orthopaedic and Carly Jackson, from Osfest. Picture: Peter Flemmich.

A STAR-studded festival with headliners including boy band JLS has sold around half its tickets for the event, organisers revealed today.

Osfest - Break for the Border boasts a line-up of chart-toppers such as X Factor's James Arthur and rapper Wiley. With just over two months until the event, 2,400 of 5,000 tickets have been snapped up.

The festival, which will be held at the showground in Park Hall, near Oswestry, from May 24 to 27, previously sold out of early buy tickets within 48 hours.

For the first time in the festival's history the main stage will be under cover in a big top.

This means that tickets are limited to 5,000.

Tickets are being sold at the orthopaedic hospital in Gobowen this year as well as online and by phone. A £5 donation will be handed over to the Oswestry Bone Cancer Appeal for every ticket sold at the hospital.

Weekend tickets are priced from £65 for non camping and £69.50 for camping. There are also VIP and day ticket prices.

Jobs hope as Poundland seek boss for town store

POUNDLAND looks set to open a new store in a Shropshire town, it has been revealed.

The chain store has advertised on its website for a manager to work at a shop in the town. But the firm remained tight-lipped on its plans and will not confirm where its planned store would be or how many jobs would be created.

Camilla Culshaw, spokeswoman for Poundland, said: "Poundland is currently considering the acquisition of new stores to add to those already opened this year.

"The stringent acquisition process ensures the new stores are positioned in the right location and fit Poundland's customer profile."

She said Poundland would release more details as soon as all the details had been confirmed.

Oswestry has seen the loss of a number of big name stores over the past few months, with Cross Street losing Peacocks, Bon

Marche and Burtons. Councillor Paul Milner of Oswestry Town Council said it would be good to see an empty shop filled again.

He said: "After hearing that Poundland may be coming to Oswestry to open one of its branches I think it will be good to see an empty shop occupied in the town centre. Especially in Cross Street where there are a few empty properties at the moment.

"Let's hope this encourages more businesses to look at Oswestry as a town to bring their brands."

"This will also bring much-needed employment for the people of Oswestry which can only be a good thing for the town."

Town mayor Martin Bennett said he had been working in the background with 'a number of initiatives' to see a large premises in Cross Street brought back into use.

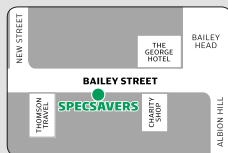
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Vandalism and theft at lights costs £2k

A SET of temporary traffic lights has been targeted by vandals three times in the last month costing the taxpayer £2,200.

The traffic lights, which were on the A4558 at Foel, near Welshpool, while roadworks were being carried out, were vandalised twice before the industrial sized batteries – worth £760 – were stolen.

Powys County Council said as well as costing the taxpayer money, it is also worried about the safety of road users who approach damaged traffic lights.

Councillor Barry Thomas, cabinet member for highways, said the council is now asking residents and drivers to report anything suspicious at sets of lights.

He said: "The set of lights, approximately 1.5 miles west of Foel are in place at the request of the Welsh Government after an issue with the highway was identified. They have been targeted three times in the past month with the batteries being stolen and cables being cut, costing approximately £2,200 to repair the damage and replace the batteries."

"Last week, the batteries were stolen from the lights that are located from the A458 by the Glynmorfa junction, near Llangadfan. The cost to replace the batteries will be £760."

Brave Evie-Lou makes good progress after operation

A BRAVE five-year-old girl who travelled to America for vital surgery on her spine has been told she could be walking independently within two years if she continues her current rate of progress.

Evie-Lou Harrington, who has cerebral palsy, has returned to her home in Llangynog, near Oswestry, after spending the past month in Missouri having two operations at St Louis Children's Hospital to help her with her mobility.

And her mum Donna said Evie-Lou's surgeon had told her that if she continued her physiotherapy she could be walking independently by the time she is seven.

by Sue Austin

Invite to join college walk

ORGANISERS of Sunday's annual walk through some of the most scenic parts of the Oswestry area are hoping the event will raise thousands of pounds for a Shropshire specialist college.

The Friends of Derwen College are inviting their supporters, the people of Oswestry and anyone who loves a hike in the countryside, to join them on their annual 10-mile sponsored walk.

Last year the walk raised more than £26,000.

Student support officer Allison Heward said: "Walkers will gather at the top of Willow Street in Oswestry on March 24."

"At 2pm, they'll head off towards the Old Racecourse then make their way through Selattyn and Hengoed, finishing at the college in Gobowen, where the weary trekkers will be offered a well-earned tea, by the catering department."

For a sponsorship form call (01691) 661234 or visit www.derwen.ac.uk

Evie-Lou has already returned to classes at Ysgol Pennant School after missing her brothers and sisters and school mates while she was away.

Mrs Harrington, who was by Evie-Lou's side throughout the trip, said news from doctors at the hospital has been better than she could ever have hoped.

"We have always been told Evie would never be able to walk independently," she said. "But before we left America the surgeon, Dr TS Park, told us that, if Evie progresses as much as she has done the last couple of weeks and, if she continues her physiotherapy, she should be walking independently by the time she is seven."

The Evie's Dream fund was set up to raise the £30,000 to cover the cost of her America trip. But there were worrying times when Mrs Harrington said it had hit home how much health services cost there.

She said of Evie: "She has been amazing, so brave. Even when she has just had her operations she was full of smiles. She has done all her physio, even when she was really tired, and now we are back home the physio is continuing morning and night."

"All she wanted to do when we got home was see her brother and sisters. She has missed them so much, and they have missed her – they have made such a fuss of her."

Evie's two sisters, Emily, six and Olivia, eight, are at Ysgol Pennant while brother, Diego, 11 and Leighton, 13 are in secondary school in Llanfyllin.



Evie-Lou Harrington is all smiles with mum Donna Harrington on her return home.

Bee fight causes a blockage in e-mail

NORTH Shropshire MP Owen Paterson felt as if he were under a 'cyber attack' after receiving more than 80,000 e-mails over the weekend.

Thousands of e-mails were sent to his constituency inbox urging him to 'support the EU ban on bee killers' after a vote was taken on Friday as to whether there should be a ban on a pesticide.

But this stopped the MP from being able to read other emails.

Mr Paterson said a lot of people contact him via e-mail and he feared if there was a business crisis or someone needed his help their call for help might not get through to his inbox.

He said: "Everyone has a right to express their view and write to me but this is a cyber attack on the constituency office."

"The danger is that someone may have a real problem, they might need an urgent operation or someone abroad might need help or there could be a crisis in business and if they have sent an email it might not be able to get through."

"I have already had people not able to get through."

"There are real people in North Shropshire writing to me by email."

"It is wrong that they should not get access to the email system."

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COMMENT**School safety measures deserve a pat on back**

IT'S not often that councils get praise in this column but Shropshire County Council can take a bow this week.

Highways bosses have given their blessing to revised traffic arrangements outside the county's first all-through school at St Martins and there is more than a hint that help is on the way for worried parents at Gobowen too.

Parents at St Martins were concerned about parking when picking up and dropping off children and as a result planners redesigned their plans to include a drop-off/pick-up area and a one-way traffic flow.

There will also be improved paths for walkers and a mini roundabout near the school to ease congestion.

This is great news for parents and down the road at Gobowen more good news is on the horizon.

More than 750 people signed petitions calling for a pedestrian crossing on St Martins Road, Gobowen amid worries that

BREEZE ABOUT TOWN

with Graham Breeze



speeding traffic along the main route will lead to a fatal accident. The petitions were submitted to Shropshire Council's protecting and enhancing our environment committee on Monday when councillors agreed a crossing would be considered.

As parents and grandparents we all need to know that our children are safe on their way to school. Shropshire's councillors are showing they understand the situation.

WITHIN days of Oswestry's big snowfall, around a month ago, three vast areas of pot-

holes in Trefonen Road, alongside Oswestry School, were quickly and efficiently covered by three equally large patches of fresh tarmac.

Last week, further up Trefonen Road, badly rutted edge of road gutters that had been gouged out by fast flowing rain water, were equally given the shiny new tarmac infill treatment, along with several more potholes getting covered by big patches of the black stuff.

But the work noticeably stopped at Trefonen because gouged out gutters, plus frost created potholes beyond that, were left untouched. Now you don't think it's anything to do with the fact that some very prominent councillors live in Trefonen, do you. Surely not.

I'M NOT a great fan of the circus but what a delight it was this week to talk to Tracy Jones, the owner of Circus Funtasia. Tracy has a great and romantic story to

tell having run away from her family in Oswestry 29 years ago to join the circus. She returned this week to reveal her own circus to the people of Oswestry.

Her brave decision to leave home was described as 'madness' by her mother at the time but there was no one prouder than parents Elyned and Gary as they took their seats in the big top this week.

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BEER has been making the news this week. An Oswestry brewery scooped a national award, a Montgomery brewery has produced a new honey based ale and Oswestry is getting ready for its annual Real Ale Festival.

These good news stories are refreshing but the reality is that there are more and more pubs closing their doors with people turning their backs on the high price over the bar. At this rate the pub culture will soon be a thing of the past in the UK.

Son spurred Toni on to losing over three stone

by Sue Austin

WHEN Toni Godolphin's son was having problems at school she struggled to get to the root of the problem.

Eventually her nine-year old confessed that he was fed up of pupils teasing him about his mum's size.

It was then that she knew she had to lose weight.

In just six months the 35-year-old from Oswestry has dropped from a size 22 to a size 16 and is three stone eight pounds lighter.

Last September Mrs Godolphin joined the Cabin Lane Slimming World group after finding her size was affecting every aspect of her daily life.

She says not only has she won the best prize of all – a fitter, healthier, happier future – she has won the group's Greatest Loser prize.

And she says she still eats food like burger and chips – just cooked in a different way.

"I feel like a new woman since losing weight, I've got more energy and I'm much more confident now, too.

"Before, I lost the weight I'd pretend I didn't care that I was bigger than other people, but that just wasn't true. I hated clothes shopping and playing with my children would leave me out of breath. I felt awful. Now I just want to make up for lost time and experience all of the things that my weight held me back from doing."

She now enjoys playing with her son Ben and daughter, four-year-old Amy, has started swimming again and is treating herself with spa days, no longer embarrassed about being in a swimsuit.

"Ben was having trouble being picked on at school and I couldn't get out of him what the problem was. It must of taken him a lot of courage to tell me it was about being teased about my weight. It was heartbreaking."



Super slimmer Toni Godolphin



Toni before her weight loss



Toni has dropped from size 22 to size 16

She said walking into the Slimming World Group run by Claire Morris was one of the hardest things she had ever done.

"I was embarrassed and terrified that I was going to be the biggest person there. But I needn't have worried – everyone there was so very friendly and welcoming.

Friends

"I've made so many friends there and their support and encouragement has been the best. When you have a lot of weight to lose there are many hurdles to overcome to change old ways and adopt new healthy habits that you can sustain for the rest of your life. I couldn't have done it without the support of my consultant, Claire, and the rest of the group.

"Every week they were there with a recipe or shopping tip and if I was struggling someone always seemed to have the

perfect piece of advice. I still enjoy all my favourite meals but I've learned how to make small changes like using lean meat to make my own burgers or cooking spray instead of oil or butter for home-made oven chips. It fits in really well with the rest of my family – we enjoy the same meals and we all feel tons better."

Now, Toni's lost a total of 3st 8lb and gone from a size 24 to a 16 and has been so inspired by Claire, who was has shed five stone through Slimming World herself, she has now opened her own Slimming World group in St Martins on a Tuesday night.

Other Greatest Losers in Claire's classes include Pauline Porche who has lost 3st 8lbs and Jo-An Stewart who has lost 3st 12lbs 8oz. For more information about the Oswestry Cabin Lane group contact Claire on 07882174539 and for the St Martins group call Toni on 01691 661249.

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Despite this, it became standard practice in family courts for assets held by a company under the sole control of a spouse to be treated as assets belonging to that spouse, providing that no-one with a real interest in the assets of the company would be prejudiced as a result.

But a recent Court of Appeal decision in 2012 (Petrodel Resources Ltd & Ors v Prest & Ors) said that the standard practice was wrong and should no longer be followed. The Court decided that it should no longer be open to Family Judges to make an order against property owned by a company purely on the basis that one of the spouses is a 100% or majority shareholder in the company. The Court can only take this approach if in addition there exists, on the facts of the case, relevant impropriety. The relevant wrongdoing must be in the nature of a fraudulent or dishonest misuse of the corporate personality of the company to conceal the true facts (i.e. extent of the spouse's wealth).

The Supreme Court heard the appeal on Petrodel on 5th and 6th March 2013 and the judgement is eagerly awaited by family lawyers as it will clarify the stance to be adopted in cases where one spouse is in control of a company. As this is clearly an evolving area of law you should seek the advice of a specialist Family Solicitor to discuss the issue further.

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LETTERS & NEWS

Stand up for your pension payments

CALLING all women unfortunate enough to be born after April 6, 1953.

This weekend we hear of the hard-working people of Cyprus being "mugged" by their government. At least this is in the open and quite rightly the world is appalled and angered by it.

However spare a thought for the tens of thousands of women in this country born in the years 1953 and 1954.

A few years back I was planning for my retirement – not a full-blown put my feet-up as I'm self-employed but looking forward to a small income to ease the 24/7 of self-employment.

My right, I thought. I thought wrong. My pension instead of commencing July 2013 (60 years old) is now going to be paid March 2017 (age 63, eight months and three days).

I would like to say to the Sheriff of Nottingham (sorry, The Chancellor) I'm looking for a Robin Hood because this insidious act by the Government has stolen from me in the region of £19,20K.

There will be many women much worse off than me; still running a family, caring for elderly parents, grandchildren-sitting (and loving it), working part or full-time, having paid national insurance contributions all their working lives.

Please, please, please women of my age, make a stand. We deserve better.

SUSAN SHEEN
Welsphool

Potholes in car park a real mess

EVERY time my wife and I visit the Sainsbury's store in Oswestry, we see (and cannot avoid) a massive number of potholes in their car park. It is dangerous, especially for the disabled, old folk and mothers with children; it is potentially damaging to car owners who go there.

The condition of this car park has been deteriorating for a long time, so it cannot have been overlooked by the company's management.

I'm truly surprised that there have not been hundreds of court actions taken out for vehicle damage and injuries to the public.

Come on, Sainsbury's, do something for your customers, resurface this mess and do it now.

DAVID GRIFFITHS
Llanfyllin

Bedroom tax will be great for me

THE true cost of bedroom 'tax' is the best thing this government have done for me as a working parent.

I have been on the council's housing waiting list for 10 years without even a hint of getting a home. I was told that I would basically have to be living on the streets or in a refuge before I was even considered a chance of someone looking at my situation.

What I had to do was rent private which was at a costing of £500 a month which is a lot to come out of someone's wages.

I just could not afford it, with having to pay rent, council tax and the usual household bills, with two children to provide for.

I then had to move into a one bed-

room flat and my children would share the bedroom whilst I slept on the sofa.

Since the government has changed its policy, I have been flooded with offerings of three-bedroomed housing and have been receiving offers of six houses at a time. At last I can give my children a decent home.

Desperation

I do not condemn anyone who claims disability as a help to meet their unavoidable needs but when I was looking in desperation for a home for my family it was mission impossible because I worked. Even though on a low wage the fact that I worked rendered me 'unhelpable'.

At the time I knew of drug addicts and alcoholics who claimed housing

benefit due to being classed as disabled and they were rattling around in three sometimes four bedroomed houses all paid for by someone else.

This is my issue with people who reckon this move by the government as some sort of new tax.

It seems to many of us that a lot of people feel that this country owes them the right to free money because of the negative impact their own personal choices have on their lives; addictions, obesity or irresponsible procreation.

The so-called "bedroom tax" is merely an attempt to share resources and limited social housing more fairly amongst everyone who needs help.

RICHARD OWEN
Newtown

Culling of animals is no answer to disease

THERE is something rather demented about the proposals to kill 50,000 badgers and now also 750,000 deer. In no way is this enlightened environmental policy. Aren't there more can do?

I think that the Government and its advisers are not being candid. I read about a scientific report which found that many animals carry bovine TB, that it is present in many species and that, in the local sampling for this report, more deer than badgers were found to carry the disease.

I think badger numbers have been grossly exaggerated and that the proposed cull may damage the badger population beyond recovery in those areas where culling takes place, if it takes place.

I have not seen more than seven badger setts and felt privileged and excited to find these. If badger numbers were as estimated, we would all be falling over a sett every time we went for a walk in the country.

Besides culling badgers and deer, some call for foxes to be killed, the hedgehog has all but disappeared, the numbers of rabbits and hares appear to have declined.

Do we want an environment where the only animal we and our children are likely to encounter are cows?

I think we need some true conservationists and advisers in the Department of the Environment, not the shoot'em, blast'em' Jack Myttons' we seem to have now.

J MCCARTHY
Oswestry

Big cats are in the fields

I WAS interested to read Sue Austin's report about the huge paw prints left by some large cat-like creature, as witnessed by two sisters Lynda Smout and Elaine Phillips.

I too saw a large, black, panther-like huge cat, in the early hours of the morning, a few years ago. My husband and I were driving along a lane between Telford and Shrewsbury, when we saw it disappearing into a hedge beside a field, and its tail was about one metre long.

Yes, I certainly believe that big cats are out there in our countryside.

FRANCES MADDOCKS
Llanymynech



CAMPAIGNERS who were involved in this Oswestry protest will be amazed to learn just how long ago it was. They turned out in force to spell out a Fair Deal For Shropshire message on Oswestry Hill Fort – basically calling for a better cash deal for the county from the Government. And the date? July 5, 1996.

LETTERS to the Editor

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Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number of the writer. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters

Auditions are a joy

I READ with interest the letter regarding the Oswestry Youth Music Festival. Last year we discovered the Gregynog Young Musician Competition and we are looking forward to attending again later this month.

This competition is for under 18s who compete in auditions throughout the day at Gregynog Hall on March 23. It is completely free of charge to sit in and enjoy these auditions, and listen to these brilliant youngsters.

The final takes place at 7pm for which tickets need to be bought. If your reader takes my advice he will buy his ticket in advance as the Music Room at Gregynog was packed last year for the final.

A DOWLING
Llanerfyl
Powys

Why should we fund treatment?

WELSH secretary David Jones has been called offensive and other names for saying that marriage is an institution developed over many centuries and is essential for the provision of a warm and safe environment for bringing up children.

Baroness Deech, head of the Bar Standards Board, says that the harm done because children are growing up without a father is more than the damage from smoking, alcohol, poor diet and lack of exercise. Family judge Sir Paul Coleridge said the same thing, that without a father and mother children are seriously disadvantaged.

Now the NHS is being told to give free IVF treatment to lesbian couples, if they choose to pursue a lifestyle that precludes having children why should the rest of us pay for it? It's not cheap either at £5,000 a time with a success rate of 25 per cent.

The reproduction business is a huge cost on the health service. The human body is not a machine, parts of which can be switched on and off at will. We have strayed far from the original purpose of the NHS which was to help us to stay healthy.

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NEWS

in brief

Party night will rock 60s and 70s

FOLLOWING the success of its 80s 'Party Nite', Rainbow Records will be sending Welshpool Town Hall back in time once again on Saturday, April 6.

This time, there will be a 60s and 70s theme with four hours of party hits from those two decades.

There will also be live music from the Heather Bebb Band featuring Billy Spencer, with support coming from Ex BBC Radio Shropshire DJ Mike Breeze.

Fancy dress is optional and there will be a prize for the best costume.

The event kicks off at 8pm and carries on until midnight, with a bar and refreshments at the event.

Tickets from Rainbow Records in Market Hall. Call (01686) 640557.

Talk on silver at fine arts meeting

THE next meeting of the North Powys Decorative and Fine Arts Society is in the Powis Suite of The Royal Oak, Welshpool, on March 28 at 7.30pm.

The talk, 'Status and show: Silver in Wales 1500-1900' will be by the Keeper of Art at the National Museum of Wales, Oliver Fairclough.

Mr Fairclough is responsible for the Welsh national collection of fine and applied art recently redisplayed in integrated galleries at the National Museum. Guests welcome. A suggested donation is £5.

Passengers in pass amnesty

A CLAMPDOWN on illegal bus travel passes has been launched, with an amnesty on anyone with out-of-date card running until April 13.

However, come April 14, anyone in the Welshpool area with an out-of-date pass will be prevented from travelling unless they pay up, Powys County Council has confirmed.

The clampdown has been launched by the Welsh Government and all ticket machines on local bus services will be adapted. "To allow drivers and customers to become familiar with the process, an amnesty will be in place until April 13 when a pass holder can continue travelling on a public service bus for free, even if their pass has been cancelled," confirmed

a council spokesperson.

During this time, holders are advised to double check that their pass is in date.

"From Sunday, April 14, if the ticket machine indicates that a pass has been cancelled, then the driver will ask the pass holder to pay the normal fare," confirmed the spokesman.

"If the passenger does not wish to pay the fare, they may be refused travel."

From April 14, if the ticket machine indicates that a pass has been cancelled, the traveller will be asked to pay or get off.

Pass holders are asked to contact Powys County Council using the phone number at the back of the pass so a new one can be issued.

If they have two or more passes they should use the one with the highest two-digit number. Passes with a lower issue number will have been cancelled and will not be valid for travel, so should be disposed of or returned to the council.

Welshpool area residents who have reached their 60th birthday or qualify as disabled are issued passes by their local cash office.

To claim a pass, take a National Insurance number card or official document showing your National Insurance number; a utility bill to confirm address; driving licence or birth certificate or passport to prove your age. A photo will be taken at the council office.

by Graham Breeze

Gas reminder for appliances

MID Wales and West Fire Service is urging people in the Welshpool area to check that their cooking appliances are not emitting dangerous levels of carbon monoxide.

Bosses have issued an appeal calling on people to check their appliances regularly.

A spokesman for the fire service said carbon monoxide could be found in the smoke coming from solid-fuel, wood or oil-burning appliances. Paraffin heaters in poor condition can also be a source of CO.

He said CO may be present if there is a sooty or yellow-brown staining on or around the appliance, if smoke can be seen or smelt or if there is excessive condensation in the room where the appliance is installed.

He added that blackening of the china clay radiant of gas fires was another sign of poor combustion.

Win rugby tickets from library



WELSH fans of rugby league have the chance of winning two tickets to see the opening ceremony of the 2013 World Cup which is taking place at the Millennium Stadium, Cardiff, in October. All you need to do for a chance to win is to join the library in Welshpool. The library can be contacted on 01938 553 001. Elunor Jones from the library with some books and membership forms. Picture: Ian Sheppard.

Firm is on shortlist for energy accolade

A WELSHPOOL company has been shortlisted in a national awards scheme for energy innovation.

Variable speed drives manufacturer, Invertek Drives, has been shortlisted in the Best International Trade category in the UK Energy Innovation Awards 2013.

The awards were created by the Energy Innovation Centre and celebrate technologies working to deliver a low carbon, sustainable and energy efficient future.

Invertek's AC inverters, used to control the speed of electric motors, can reduce energy consumption by more than 50 per cent in industrial, HVAC and pump applications by matching motor speeds to the exact requirements of each application.

The company has invested heavily in the development of the high performance range of industrial drives.

The independently owned company, established in 1998, sells its products in more than 80 countries.

Sales and marketing director, Rhidian Welson, said: "We are very proud that our products have been recognised by the Energy Innovation Awards and are looking forward to the final next month."

The awards ceremony will be held on April 25.

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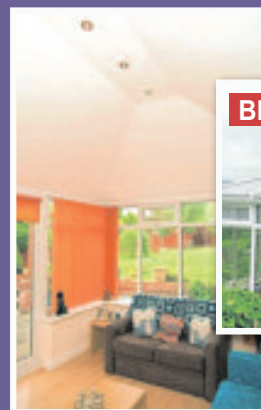


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Volunteers at the Welshpool and Llanfair Light Railway have been working all winter replacing 700 metres of line and even clearing a landslide.

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Highlights of the weekend include storyboards displayed throughout the

by Graham Breeze

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metres of line on a stretch east of Cyfrnydd station.

The line has been relaid with new Polish S30 rail on hardwood sleepers, while the work also required extensive new drainage works and, in places, building retaining walls to strengthen embankments.

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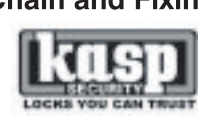
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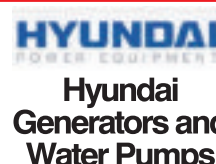
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Veteran councillor retiring from role**Trevor Davies**

A SHROPSHIRE councillor, who has served on a variety of bodies in the county is to retire from his council duties after 25 years.

Councillor Trevor Davies, who represents Gobowen, Selattyn and Weston Rhyn on the unitary authority, says he won't be standing in this year's elections.

And the veteran councillor, who has worked around the world encouraged younger people to get involved in local politics.

The Liberal Democrat said: "After 25 years it is now time for me to retire from public service."

"I would like to thank people for supporting me. I have been proud to serve as a Gobowen parish councillor and a past chairman."

"I have also served on Oswestry Borough Council, Shropshire County Council and Shropshire Council."

"I have served as a governor at Gobowen Primary School, Rhyn Park School and Derwen College."

Yob jailed for attack which left victim with broken leg

A DRUNKEN yob who broke a man's leg during a sustained attack in an Oswestry street has been jailed for two-and-a-half years.

Robert Hughes is the only one of the three men involved in the assault to face trial, and he was told by Judge Robin Onions that he was lucky that he was not facing an even longer sentence.

Hughes, 27, of Cambrian Drive, Oswestry, had admitted inflicting grievous bodily harm on Richard Downes on June 16 last year.

He was jailed for 30 months, and Judge Onions asked that when he was released on licence he should be monitored to make sure he did not return to alcohol abuse.

At Shrewsbury Crown Court last Friday the judge said: "You are very fortunate that you are not charged with GBH with intent because you would be looking at an extended sentence of about five years."

"You took your life and, more importantly, the life of your victim into your own hands and feet. You had no idea what was going to happen. If he had choked on his vomit he could have died - what would you have said to a charge of murder? You would have had no defence."

He added: "If you go stamping on someone's leg you can't say you haven't got intent to do serious harm."

Mr Kevin Jones, prosecuting, told the court that Hughes and two other men had punched Mr Downes, causing him to fall to the ground, close to the Wetherspoon's pub in Oswestry. He was knocked out either by a punch or the fall and the men continued to kick and punch him on the ground.

Mr Downes suffered a broken leg, chipped tooth and cuts and the court heard that he had lost a significant amount in lost wages and costs.

The court heard that Hughes had 18 previous court appearances for 31 offences and had served a prison sentence for robbery.

Mr Stephen Scully, defending, said Hughes knew a prison sentence was inevitable.

Near-miss for town pedestrian

A PEDESTRIAN was forced to jump out of the way as an out-of-control driver sped around Oswestry's busy town centre, colliding with at least one car.

Several people called the police reporting the driver making repeated high speed circuits in Oswestry.

Officers are studying CCTV footage to identify the motorist and said it was fortunate nobody was injured.

Today they asked for help in tracing the driver after a number of witnesses contacted them to report a metallic blue saloon making circuits of the town along Willow Street, Church Street, Smithfield Road and Festival Square.

Constable Scott Harrower said: "A pedestrian called police to say they had been forced to jump out of the path of the car as it came round a corner at high speed."

Anyone who saw the car being driven round the town at around 1pm on Tuesday, March 12, is asked to contact police on 101.

Apprentices boost hospice cause



Back, from left, Alison Roberts and Sophie Forbes, from SBC Training, and Hope House fundraiser, Paul Coope. Front, from left, agricultural bank manager, Paula Haycocks, SBC apprentice, Katie Walker, and Lynsey Kilvert, from Hope House. Picture: Peter Flemmich.

HOPE HOUSE Children's Hospice has been given more than £1,600 by apprentices who were inspired by a recent visit.

The money was raised by members of SBC Training in Harlescott Lane, Shrewsbury. The firm works with apprentices from across Shropshire including the health and social welfare team at the Orthopaedic Hospital in Gobowen.

After a visit to the hospice they wanted to raise money and organised a number of fundraising activities.

A fashion show was held at Shrewsbury Golf Club where apprentices took to the catwalk or helped with the raffle. Heavily discounted clothing from SBC fashions was on offer and cakes were also sold in aid of the cause.

Alison Roberts, SBC's Sector Manager for Health and Social Care, said: "A visit to Hope House inspired us to support this amazing place. We are proud to be able to contribute and, thanks to Barclays who have matched pound for pound, we can present over £1,600."

Heritage railways' fun ticket for Easter

THE Easter Bunny will be paying a visit to the Cambrian Heritage Railway in Oswestry at the end of the month.

The special event will take place on Easter Sunday, March 31, from 11am to 4pm.

Tickets cost £3 adults, £2 child and £8 for a family of two adults and two children. Ticket prices include unlimited train rides throughout the day and a free Crème Egg or hot cross bun as well as admission to magic shows at 12.20pm and 2.20pm.

Refreshments will be available throughout the day and children will be able to take part in an Easter egg hunt. Trains will run at regular intervals between Llyncllys Station and Pen-y-Garreg Halt in Pant.

Trains will also be running on Good Friday and Easter Monday, when refreshments will be available.

Hunt at school

AN Easter egg hunt is being organised at a school near Oswestry. The Friends of Adcote will be holding a junior hunt on Monday at 3pm. It will cost £4 to take part. During the day there will also be an Easter hat competition.

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NEWS**in brief****Spring fair aims for charity cash**

A SPRING fair to raise funds for the Macmillan cancer charity will be held at the Memorial Hall in Oswestry on Saturday starting at 10am.

Entrance is free and there will be a wide range of stalls and light refreshments available.

There will also be a quiz night at the Pedigree on the Shrewsbury Road in Oswestry, at 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start. Tickets are £10 for a team of up to four people and refreshments will again be available.

More details are available from (01691) 650334.

School marking World Book Day

THE Marches School in Oswestry hosted a non-uniform event to mark 'World Book Day'.

The theme for the day was 'book characters' and staff and students embraced the opportunity to show off their fancy-dress skills, attending in costumes from an array of well-known tales.

Just under £1,000 was raised for charity.

Coffee morning

PEOPLE are invited to a village near Oswestry for a coffee and a hot cross bun. A coffee morning will be held at West Felton Methodist chapel next Thursday from 10am until noon.

Mega dairy inquiry told of health and welfare concerns

CONCERNS over animal welfare, public health and visual impact for Powis Castle were voiced in the final day of a planning inquiry over proposals to build a 1,000 cow dairy farm near Welshpool.

Farmer Fraser Jones wants to expand Lower Leighton Farm to include a 'mega dairy' which would house 1,000 cattle next to Leighton Primary School.

It included three large buildings, a fodder storage unit, two slurry stores and a water storage tower.

Last Friday final submissions were given at the inquiry held at Powys County Council's Neuadd Maldwyn building in Severn Street, Welshpool.

by Chrissy Symmons

The planning inspector will now take up to seven weeks to make a decision which will then be sent to the Welsh Assembly Government.

Meiric Lewis, on behalf of World Society for the Protection of Animals, asked for the application to be refused as the society had 'serious concerns over the welfare of dairy animals' and that the development posed 'a risk to public health'.

He said: "It is WSPA's case that an assessment of the impact of the proposed development on environmental well-being cannot be properly made without consideration of its detrimental impacts on animal welfare and public health."

He said the development would be likely to cause 'unnecessary suffering to the animals'.

Brian Smith, on behalf of the Countryside Council for Wales and The National Trust told the inquiry the development would affect heritage sites including views from Powis Castle.

"Powis Castle and its gardens are unique and valuable heritage assets not just to Wales but also to the UK and internationally," he said.

"This proposal would undoubtedly have a negative impact on the views to the site across the Severn Valley accepted by all parties as falling within the setting of those

assets. That impact would be unacceptable in both legal and policy terms and would in itself justify a refusal in this case."

Mr Hugh Wyn Williams, on behalf of Campaign Against Leighton Farm Expansion, asked for a refusal.

He said this was on grounds of health of near-by school children, impact on local landscape and buildings including the 'Welsh gem' Leighton Estate and noise.

Michael Bedford, a barrister instructed by Powys County Council, gave concerns over the effect it could have on Powis Castle and Gardens, Offa's Dyke and Leighton Hall estate.

Niall Blackie, for the application, said there were no welfare issues, that the change in the landscape would be 'slight' and there would be no problem with ammonia levels. He said there was no evidence to prove school pupil numbers would drop and that the development would be far enough away from Powis Castle and Gardens.

He asked the inspector recommend permission be granted.

"Animal welfare should not be an issue now," he said.

"If unnecessary suffering than a prosecution can be made."

"The welfare is not a debate for this inquiry. The welfare issue is a matter for the police and RSPCA."

Ex-headteacher's caring tale



Jan and Alan Cooper, a former Oswestry headteacher.

A FORMER Oswestry headteacher who has been helping his wife cope with a serious kidney disease has written a short story recounting their experiences.

Alan Cooper says he hopes the story, which has been published online by the Kidney Research UK charity, will raise awareness of what it is like when a loved one has to have dialysis and will encourage more people to agree to donate their organs.

Mr Cooper's 64-year-old wife Jan, a

retired district nurse, is on the transplant waiting list after being diagnosed with polycystic kidney disease.

Mrs Cooper, who lives in Wellington with her husband, a former headteacher at Marches School in Oswestry, said: "I was about 20 and undertaking my nursing training when I was diagnosed with polycystic kidney disease. I had seen my grandfather dying from it and my mum was diagnosed with it as well."

American author drops in at school

A BEST-selling American author visited a school near Oswestry to meet youngsters and sign books.

Maggie Stiefvater visited Adcote School for Girls in Little Ness for a workshop and book signing event on Wednesday.

She is an author of young adult urban fantasy novels and is the New York Times best-selling writer of the Shiver trilogy. There are more than 1.7 million copies of the Shiver trilogy in print.

Linger, the second book in the Shiver trilogy, debuted at number one on the New York Times Bestseller list.

The author lives in Virginia and is a writer, artist and musician.

When she arrives in Shropshire she will share some of her stories which she has written with pupils to help them improve their creative writing.

The Scorpio Races, Stiefvater's latest novel, received many five-starred reviews and was named in best of the year lists for 2011. It was also named as a 2012 Michael L. Printz Honour Book by the American Library Association and a New York Times Notable Children's Book.

A spokesman for the school said: "We are delighted that our pupils again have had the opportunity to meet an internationally famous author."

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Among the beers available next month will be ale from Oswestry's own Stonehouse Brewery, organisers have said.

About 25 casks of local ales will be available at the event, organised by the Lions Club of Oswestry and taking place at Memorial Hall in Smithfield Street in April.

Spokesmans Clive Humphries said: "The festival is in its fifth year and it is getting better known and getting more and more people turning up."

"We plan again to have around 25 casks of sensational real ale, all supplied by local breweries."

"The list includes Oswestry's own Stonehouse Brewery which will again play a major role in sourcing the beers, providing specialist equipment and support to the event."

"We have also had help and support from the Shropshire branch of Campaign for Real Ale."

As well as real ale there will also be cider, wine and soft drinks available.

People attending the event will also be given some musical entertainment which is described as 'not too loud to drown out conversation'.

The festival will start on April 5 from 6pm to 11pm and will also take place on April 6 from noon to 11pm and April 7 from noon to 4pm. The entry price remains as £7 for the day.

This allows the ticket holder their first four half pints and a 2013 engraved commemorative glass tankard to use and keep afterwards.



Back, Clive Humphries and Fred Owen, from the Lions Club. Front, Alison Parr, from the Stonehouse Brewery, and Bill Bowen, from the Lions Club.

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in brief

Car boot sale to be held at hall

A CAR boot sale, a car wash and a table top sale will be held at Llanfechain Memorial Hall on Saturday.

The event will run from 9am to noon and money raised will go towards the village annual show. A car wash will also be available at £5 per car.

Organisers say the sale is planned as an outside event on the recreation ground, but the hall will be available if the weather is bad.

Setting up is from 7.30am and refreshments will be available early.

To book a table call (01691) 828394 or 828354.

Medicine in focus at history group

THE history of medicine will be explored at the next meeting of the Meifod Local History Group.

The presentation, entitled *The Rhythm Of Life*, will be given by eminent cardiologist who will tell of the history of heart medicine from the days of the Egyptian Pharaohs to modern times.

The event is on tonight, Thursday, starting at 7.30pm in Meifod Village Hall. Admission is £3.

Quiz night fun

A QUIZ night will be held in Knockin tonight (Thursday). Knockin Badminton Club will be staging the event in the village at The Bradford Arms from 7.45pm.

Safety rethink for county's first all-through school site

HIGHWAYS bosses have given their blessing to revised traffic arrangements outside Shropshire's first all-through school.

Parish councillors objected to the initial plans for the £3.14 million St Martins School. They were particularly concerned about parking when parents were picking up and dropping off their children.

As a result, Shropshire Council planners redesigned their plans to include a drop-off/pick-up area with more spaces and a one-way traffic flow. There will also be improved paths for walkers and a mini roundabout near the school to ease congestion.

by Graham Breeze

Girls on song at youth festival

GIRLS at an independent school are celebrating success at a youth music festival.

Several pupils from Adcote School at Little Ness took part in the recent Oswestry Youth Music Festival.

The competition attracts entrants from schools across the county who compete in a range of classes including solo instrumentalists, ensembles and vocalists.

Adcote pupils enjoyed huge success at the competition. Among those taking part were Grace Parker, who won a first prize and commendation in the drumming competition, and Isabelle Watson, who took a merit in the contest.

Violinist Grace Turner-Tarr won a merit and fellow violinist Jessy Fu won a second prize and a merit award. Vocalist Veronika Lebedinskaia was commended and vocalist Maria Gaj received a merit while Florence Galliers won a merit and a commendation.

Pianists Anna-Maria Czesak and Theresa Tu were also praised.

The parish council has not yet lodged its view on the new designs but county highways bosses say they are acceptable.

The school is being built after council bosses agreed to the merger of the village's Ifton Heath Primary School and its Rhyn Park secondary school.

In papers lodged with Shropshire Council, a report from its highways department says the transport arrangements outside the school, which will be built on the current Rhyn Park site, will 'present challenges during the peak periods when pupils arrive and depart from the school site either by walking, cycling, car, bus or taxi'.

The report said: "As with the vast majority of school sites in Shropshire, these peak periods are difficult to manage although they tend to occur over relatively short time periods."

"The amalgamation of two schools to a single site therefore heightens the need to give careful consideration to these peak periods and how best to manage them to mitigate/reduce pedestrian/highway safety issues both within the school site itself and outside of the school premises."

The school opened in September after the merger between Rhyn Park secondary school and Ifton Heath primary school. But classes are continuing to run on both school sites until a new larger campus is built on the Rhyn Park site which should be ready to open by September 2014.

Reporter returns to his roots



Ian Herbert at Walford College.

A FORMER Oswestry man who is now a football correspondent for the Independent newspaper returned to his roots to give students in the town an insight into the world of sports journalism.

Ian Herbert started his journalism career in the town and studied A Levels at the Oswestry campus of Walford and North Shropshire College.

He returned to the college last Thursday to speak to students about his career and the privilege of interviewing some of football's biggest names including Manchester United boss Sir Alex Ferguson and former England manager Sven Goran Eriksson.

Mr Herbert, now based in Manchester, said he was delighted to be back in Oswestry. He said: "I have a great affection for Oswestry and my parents still live in Weston Rhyn. I studied here before going to university and started on the path of my journalism career here."

The journalist was invited to speak at the college as part of the fourth Oswestry Festival of the Word.

Hall has expanded diary of activities

A VILLAGE hall, which has benefited from a £157,000 investment, is continuing to expand its activities and attractions.

Llanrhaeadr ym Mochnant Public Hall received the grant from the Welsh Assembly's Community Facilities and Activities Programme.

Hall spokeswoman Frances Hunt said: "Activities at the public hall continue to grow."

"Recently MP Glyn Davies, paid an impromptu visit and was shown around the sparkling new premises by John Evans and Susan Hughes."

"Glyn was particularly taken with the statue of William Morgan at the front of the building, and impressed by the range of facilities on offer."

"A number of exciting events has been programmed into the future and everyone is invited to come along and join in."

Among the planned activities will be a demonstration of the hall's new stage lighting on April 6 at 10.30am.

At 7.30pm on the same day a tympan dance will be held.

A carnival dance will be held on May 4 at the hall from 7.30pm to 1am.

The carnival queen will be chosen that evening followed by heats of Llanrhaeadr's Got Talent.

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OSWESTRY WILL BE HOSTING ITS FIRST EVER WEEKEND-LONG CONTINENTAL MARKET THIS SPRING.

Stall holders from across Europe will be bringing their products to the Shropshire market town on April 6 and 7 from 9am until 5pm.

There will be more than 25 stalls selling a number of fresh items from their home countries including France, Italy, Germany and Belgium.

Stalls will be set up along Bailey Head, Bailey Street and Cross Street selling items such as olives, tartelette from the French Alps and Spanish Paella and Chorizo.

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The downstairs accommodation comprises an entrance porch, utility, wc, spacious kitchen/breakfast room with Rayburn, dining room, sitting room, 30ft long living room with inglenook fireplace, and study.

Upstairs, the large master bedroom features an attractive vaulted ceiling and ensuite shower room. There are two further bedrooms, both with vaulted ceilings, and an extremely large family bathroom with two baths, separate

shower cubicle, wash basin, bidet, wc and built-in airing cupboard.

The extensive gardens include terraced lawns, a variety of shrub beds, patio areas with lovely views, a pergola and a gate to the pasture land. There is also a workshop with two offices, driveway, ample parking and a garage.

For further information or to arrange a viewing, contact Richmond Harvey on 01691 654222 or visit www.richmondharvey.com



Village home includes garage and workshop

The Croft, St Martins, Ellesmere Road, Oswestry, is a very well presented four-bedroom bungalow.

Approached over a gravelled driveway with farm-style gates and set well back from the road, the detached property is for sale through Samuel Wood at £249,950.

It has a porch, entrance hall, reception hall, lounge, breakfast kitchen, utility, bathroom, four bedrooms, cloaks/wc, double garage/workshop and attractive lawned gardens which include a vegetable plot. For further information contact Samuel Wood on 01691 659951 or visit www.samuelwood.co.uk



Dormer style residence is beautifully presented

St Brides, Oswestry is an immaculate dormer style residence offering versatile accommodation.

Set on a popular estate, the detached home is for sale with Morris Marshall & Poole at a guide price of £260,000.

There is an entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, sitting room, kitchen, sun room, ground floor bedroom three, first floor bedrooms two and three, study, bathroom, driveway, garage and neatly kept gardens.

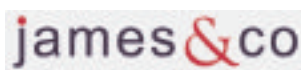
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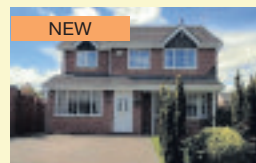
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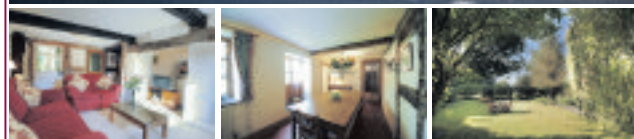
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FRONCYSYLLTE



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- In a semi rural location
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- Off road parking. Viewing highly recommended

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A four bedroom executive family home with three reception rooms, high specification kitchen and two master suites. The property has the benefit of oil central heating, double glazing and solar panels making this a very energy efficient property.

- Large Reception Hall, Study, Cloakroom
- Sitting Room, Lounge, Kitchen
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- Family Bathroom
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Bron Frynwy, Llanymynech

Price: £355,000

A five bedroom detached property with adjoining paddocks and outbuildings situated on the edge of a popular village set in over 5 acres.

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- Set In Over 5 Acres
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View Cottage, Llanymynech

Price: £285,000

This cottage benefits from magnificent views over the English/Welsh borderland to The Breidden Hills and across to the Shropshire Plain. Nestled on the side on Llanymynech Hill this property is a walkers dream with many routes and trails across unspoilt countryside, Offas Dyke or Montgomery Canal.

- 3 Double Bed Cottage
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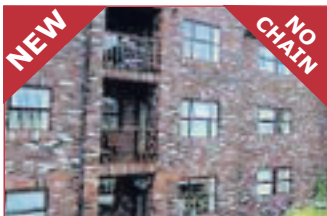
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Price: £350,000

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- 5 Bed (3 With En-Suites)
- Character Features
- Contemporary Interiors
- Garden & Ample Parking
- Rural Location
- Current EPC Rating D

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Linden Croft, Llanymynech

Price: £129,950

On an elevated plot, a three bedroom semi detached family home situated in an edge of village location with views to the Breidden Hills and Rodney's Pillar to the front and Llanymynech Hill to the rear.

- 3 Bedroom Semi
- Elevated Position
- Garage & Parking
- Some Modernisation Required
- Oil Central Heating
- Current EPC Rating E

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Price: £227,500

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- UPVC Double Glazing
- Garage & Parking
- Spacious Accommodation

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Price: £219,950

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£249,950

- Detached country cottage in popular hamlet
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- Two reception rooms with inglenook fireplaces
- Three bedrooms and modern fitted bathroom
- Modern fitted kitchen, cloaks, Oil C/H, D/G
- Well maintained accommodation throughout
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 37

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3 Lime Grove, Oswestry



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Tyn-Y-Pistyll, Garth, Glyn Ceiriog



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- Individual Detached House
- With Beautiful Valley Views
- Open plan living accommodation
- 3 bedrooms, bathroom & shower rm
- Large timber decked area & summer house
- Landscaped terraced gardens & woodland
- On-site parking, Sep driveway to garden
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 30

£350,000



Erw Las, Middleton Road, Oswestry
£289,000

- Large detached family house within walking distance of Oswestry Town Centre
- Reception hall, cloakroom, lounge, morning room, open plan kitchen / dining / family area
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- Energy Efficiency Rating = C

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3 Bed Semi-Det Bungalow, Oil C/H, Garage, FTE, No Pets. (EER=58)	£450 pcm
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3 Bed Det Rural Cottage-Style Property. Oil C/H, FTE, (EER=69)	£550 pcm
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Henlle Lane, Weston Rhyn



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Offers in Region of £410,000

Tregarthen Lane, Pant



Impressive 4/5 bedroom detached period residence which comprises: High Spec Fitted Kitchen which has been designed to provide a light and airy room opening into a lovely snug room with log burner and dining room, Living room and sitting rooms which retain the character and charm of the original property. Further reception room/office, Ground Floor Bedroom and Shower Room, Master Bedroom with Dressing Area and Ensuite, Three Further Bedrooms and Luxury Family Bathroom, Driveway, Turning Circle and Det. Double Garage.

Price Guide £495,000



Malt Kiln Cottages, Whittington

Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this character semi detached cottage to the market which is situated within the sought after village of Whittington. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Lounge with feature fireplace, Attractive Kitchen/Dining Room, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Car Port, Parking and Garden. Viewing Fully Recommended.

Offers in Region of £169,950



Graig Cottages, Pontfadog

Situated within the picturesque Ceirio Valley, Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this tastefully extended semi detached character cottage which enjoys an elevated position with fine views to the fore. The property briefly comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Dining Room, Kitchen with Pantry, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Family Bathroom, Snug/Through Room (Former Bedroom Two), Feature Living Room with access out onto Sun Terrace, Integral Garage and Terraced elevated gardens which truly enjoy the location and views. Oil Fired Central Heating. Early viewing fully recommended by the owners agents

Offers in Region of £139,950



Wern, Llanymynech

4 bed detached edge of village residence which enjoys truly delightful views and landscaped gardens of approx 0.25 acre. The property briefly comprises: Three Reception Rooms, Generous Kitchen Breakfast Room, Utility, Cloakroom, Master Bedroom with Ensuite, Three Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Oil Fired Central Heating, Driveway and Double Garage. Viewing Fully Recommended.

Offers in Region of £310,000



Vyrnwy Road, Oswestry

A two 'double' bedroom mature semi detached house which benefits from a refitted Kitchen and Luxury Bathroom. Enjoying a convenient position for local town centre amenities and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, PVC Double Glazing where stated, Gas Fired Central Heating, Rear Lobby, Garden Room/Store and Gardens to include feature decked balcony/terrace. Viewing Recommended.

Offers in Region of £129,950



Arddleen, Powys

Tastefully extended 4/5 bedroom character detached country cottage with range of useful outbuildings with further potential subject to necessary consents, backing onto the Montgomery canal. Set in approximately 1/3 acre, convenient for the A483 road link. Viewing fully recommended.

Offers in Region of £329,950



Sycamore Court, Maesbury Marsh

Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this spacious 4 bedroom detached family house which enjoys a quiet cul-de-sac location and briefly comprises: Covered Entrance Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility, Cloakroom, First Floor Landing, Spacious Master Bedroom Ensuite, Three Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Oil Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing where stated, Driveway providing ample off-street parking, Double Garage, Gardens to front and rear. Viewing fully recommended.

Offers in the Region of £242,000



Beresford Gardens, Oswestry

Richmond Harvey Properties Ltd are delighted to introduce this modern three storey townhouse situated within a short walking distance from the town centre amenities. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Downstairs WC, Living/Dining Room, Kitchen, First Floor with Master Bedroom, Further Bedroom and Family Bathroom, Second Floor comprising Two Double Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. The property benefits from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing where stated.

Offers in the Region of £179,995



Belle Vue, Morda

3 bedroom semi detached house which briefly comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge with feature fireplace, Breakfast Kitchen, Conservatory, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Refitted Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway and off-road parking to front and rear, garage and low maintenance gardens. Viewing fully recommended.

Offers in the region of £147,000



Maes Myllin, Llanfyllin

Immaculately presented and deceptively spacious two double bedroom modern detached bungalow occupying a pleasant position within this recently constructed development which has the benefit of a detached double garage, most attractively landscaped gardens and rooftop views. Viewing Fully Recommended.

Offers in Region of £220,000



Bentley Drive, Oswestry

„SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION“. Enjoying a sought after residential locality being well placed for local town amenities, Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this modern 3 bedroom 3 storey town house to the market which briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms, Family Bathroom,

Offers in Region of £175,000



Bron-Y-Waun, Chirk

„RE-FITTED KITCHEN AND BATHROOM - NO CHAIN“. Mature 3 bedroom semi detached family house benefiting from a recently re-fitted kitchen and bathroom, which is conveniently placed for local amenities and transport links, Driveway providing off-road parking, Gardens to Front and Rear, Garage. With No Onward Chain.

Offers in region £119,950



Polska Street, Penley

„PRICED TO SELL - WITH NO CHAIN“. Enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location within this recently constructed new development, Modern 3 bedroom detached family house which

Offers in Region of £159,995



Victoria Road, Oswestry

Offering a wealth of character features and enjoying a much sought after location, Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this most spacious period five bedroom detached family residence to the market which benefits from three reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, cellar, refitted bathroom and a generous rear garden. There is ample off-road parking provision together with a garage, garden room, utility space and WC. Internal viewing is fully recommended to appreciate the excellent accommodation on offer.

Offers in Region of £365,000



Milars Field, Morda

2 bedroom modern bungalow which enjoys an edge of village location with pleasant views to the fore and a generous plot. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Double Glazing, Gas Fired Central Heating, Generous Rear Garden and Two Allocated Parking Spaces. MUST BE SEEN.

Offers in Region of £149,950



Edward Street, Oswestry

Semi detached house which offers a convenient location. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Walk In Pantry, Kitchen, Lean To with WC and Built in Store, First Floor Landing, 3/4 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Rear Yard, Gas Fired Central Heating, NO CHAIN.

Offers in Region of £164,995



Monkmoor Road, Oswestry

2 bedroom detached bungalow which enjoys a convenient location for local amenities and transport links together with most attractively landscaped gardens. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Double Glazing, Gas Fired Central Heating, Driveway and Most Attractively Landscaped Gardens to Front and Rear. Viewing Fully Recommended.

Offers in the Region of £166,950



Roft Street, Oswestry

3 bedroom detached Victorian town house which has been sympathetically improved over the years by the present owners yet still retaining a wealth of character features. The property offers the discerning buyer the opportunity to purchase a truly delightful family residence offering central town living. EARLY VIEWING FULLY RECOMMENDED.

Offers in Region of £239,950



The Hollies, Church Lane, St Martins

A 3 bedroom detached bungalow which benefits from an attached double garage and garden room extension (possible 4th bedroom or study). The property also comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Spacious Living Room/Dining Room, Kitchen, Bathroom, Double Glazing where stated, Gas Fired Central Heating, Driveway and Most Attractively Landscaped Gardens to Front and Rear. Viewing Fully Recommended.

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- Village Location
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- Viewing Recommended

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- Semi Detached Cottage
- Pretty Village Location
- No Chain
- Three Bedrooms



- Many Original Features
- Two Reception Rooms
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- Spacious Accommodation

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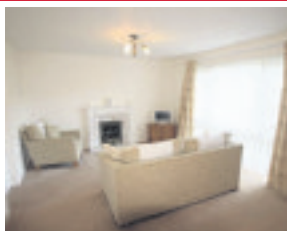
- No Chain
- End of Terrace House
- Three Bedrooms



- Off Road Parking
- Pretty Village Location
- Double Glazing

£139,950

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- Three Bedrooms
- Detached Family Homes
- Two Reception Rooms
- Immaculate Presentation
- Parking and Garage
- Cul de Sac Location

£165,000

PANT



- NO CHAIN!!!
- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Spacious Accommodation
- Two Reception Rooms
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom & Cloakroom

£169,950

OSWESTRY



- Detached Dormer Bungalow
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Private Position
- Views Over Fields To Rear
- No Chain
- Sought After Village
- Parking and Garage
- A Must See Property

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OSWESTRY



- NO CHAIN
- Detached Family Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Close To All Amenities
- Gas Central Heating
- Upvc Double Glazing
- Garage & Parking
- Enclosed Rear Gardens

£199,950

DEYTHEUR



- Detached Rural Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Unspoilt Rural Views
- Good Sized Gardens
- Garage and Parking
- Upvc Double Glazing
- Split Level Accommodation
- A Must See Property

£210,000

PANT



- Detached Bungalow
- Good Sized Gardens
- Parking and Garage
- Oil Central Heating
- Three Bedrooms
- Fantastic Views
- Well Maintained
- Edge of Village

£225,000

OSWESTRY



- Detached Period Property
- 4 Beds/ 4 Receptions
- Detached Annex/Double Garage
- Sought After Location
- No Chain
- Many Original Features
- Off Road Parking

£274,950

OSWESTRY



- Victorian Detached Residence
- 5/6 Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms
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- Sought After Location
- Landscaped Gardens
- Many Original Features

£420,000

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**WITH ADJOINING
2 ACRE PADDOCK**

Llandrinio, Llanymynech

An individually designed detached family house set in good sized gardens with adjoining two acre paddock (further land available by separate negotiation), having indoor swimming pool set in separate detached block with adjoining offices and integral single garage. It also has a further attached double garage, oil CH, and PVC DG. Hall, sitting room, dining room, family room/study, large sun room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, cloakroom, four double bedrooms, two en-suite shower rooms, family bathroom. Conveniently situated on the outskirts of the village and within easy travelling distance of Oswestry, Shrewsbury and Welshpool. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £525,000

3078



Llanyblodwel, Oswestry

A detached Grade II Listed country property, which has been renovated over recent years retaining the character and features of the original building. Entrance hall with cloakroom lobby, sitting room having the original stone fire surround, dining room, living room, kitchen, utility room, galieried landing, master bedroom, guest bathroom, second floor spacious bedroom/games/office area. Outside there is an independent office/library. Gardens to the front and rear, ample parking, garage. EPC Band: G. For further information contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £450,000

2858



**APPROX 2 ACRES
& STABLES**

Weston Lullingfields

A deceptively spacious detached quality residence, set in large gardens and adjoining paddock extending to approx two acres or thereabouts, with purpose built stable block. Reception hall, through sitting room, dining room, study, large recently re-fitted kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, downstairs cloakroom, a master bedroom suite with dressing room and en-suite shower room, three further bedrooms and luxury family bathroom with spa bath and large walk-in shower. Wood effect PVC DG, oil fired CH, large detached double garage with hobby/activity room over. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £425,000

3030



VASTLY REDUCED

Llangedwyn, Oswestry

An attractive and extremely spacious, detached barn conversion, with uPVC DG, electric storage heating, wood burner, double garage, gardens and small paddock amounting in all to over one acre or thereabouts. Entrance hall, main reception hall, living room, dining room, cloakroom, large farmhouse style kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, large landing, four good bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family shower room. Occupying a delightful rural position set in the middle of its garden grounds, enjoying superb country views over the surrounding fields and beyond. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £410,000

2744



**JUST OVER 1
ACRE**



**SET IN APPROX
2.5 ACRES**

Penygarrag Lane, Pant

A substantial detached mature bungalow, set in good sized gardens and wooded dingle extending to approx 2.5 acres in total. Feature reception hall, sitting room, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with en suite shower room, two further bedrooms, family bathroom. Large double garage, oil CH, PVC DG to the majority of windows. It occupies a convenient location on the outskirts of the village within walking distance of local amenities. EPC Band: E. PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED

Guide Price: £365,000

2962



WITH ANNEXE & LARGE GARDENS

Edgerley, Oswestry

A charming, Grade II Listed detached period cottage with self contained annexe/garage block. Hall, living room, dining room, family/games room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, WC, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms, family bathroom. Parking, gardens extending to approx 0.6 acre including greenhouse and polytunnel. Occupying a pleasant rural location in the hamlet of Edgerley, about 12 miles from Shrewsbury and Oswestry. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £359,950

2717



NO CHAIN

Bettisfield, Nr Whitchurch

An extremely rare opportunity to acquire a former vicarage requiring modernisation and upgrading, offering huge potential to provide a beautiful and substantial family home. Presently comprising: reception hall, sitting room, dining room, family room, breakfast room, kitchen/utility room, large walk-in pantry, cloakroom, six bedrooms, bathroom with separate WC on the first floor, and second floor attic room. Range of outbuildings including coach house incorporating coach bay, stable, open bay and pigsty with further range of ancillary buildings including store/outside WC, the whole is set in 2/3 of an acre or thereabouts. EPC Band: G

Guide Price: Offers over £350,000

3127



**VIEWING
RECOMMENDED**



Crickheath, Oswestry

A charming detached property, built at the same time as the Montgomery Canal, with spacious well maintained accommodation offering original cottage features. It occupies tranquil location and rural aspect make this an ideal rural retreat. There is a useful garden store, garage and greenhouses, together with a summerhouse, the garden is mainly laid to lawn intersected with mature shrubs and trees. hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, three bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom. EPC Band: F. For further details contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £295,000

2962



Maesbury, Oswestry

A character public house with a friendly family atmosphere and a wealth of character features. Two large lounge bar areas, games room (previously used as a dining area), central bar area, equipped kitchen and associated store rooms, spacious private accommodation. Large outdoor area with ample parking for around 20 cars, paddock which could be utilised as a beer garden or camping area. Fronting onto Maesbury Road, less than a mile off the A483 which is a busy thoroughfare, it is free of tie and provides a rare opportunity to purchase a freehold popular public house with scope to expand the business. EPC Band: E. For further details contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £247,500



NO CHAIN

Maesbrook, Oswestry

A spacious, mature property, retaining many of the original features and offering extensive accommodation comprising: entrance porch, large sitting room, dining room, family room/study, kitchen/breakfast room, rear porch, four bedrooms, family bathroom. Set in private and secluded good sized gardens. Extensive parking to the front with further parking area, stone and timber constructed garage to the rear with adjoining workshop. Oil CH, some wood framed DG, with good sized gardens to the rear. EPC Band: F.

Guide Price: £269,500

2667



Llandrinio, Llanymynech

An attractive and deceptively spacious detached dormer style house with oil CH, uPVC DG, ample parking, garage, and garden. Occupying a very convenient position in the village, about 12 miles from Shrewsbury. Reception hall, living room, dining room, recently fitted luxury kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, landing, three further good size bedrooms, and separate WC. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £232,500

2190



Pant, Shropshire

A delightfully located detached bungalow, having oil CH, uPVC DG, garage and large gardens enjoying delightful rooftop views to the rear towards Rodney's Pillar. It occupies a very pleasant position on the fringe of the village, which is easily accessible to Oswestry, Welshpool and Shrewsbury. Recessed entrance, reception hall, large living room/dining room, very large conservatory, fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom. The property also enjoys access via an adjacent bridle path to a nature reserve. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £185,000

3082



NO CHAIN

Brooklyn Road, Pant

An attractive, deceptively spacious, semi-detached bungalow having oil fired CH, DG, large garage and delightful gardens to front and rear. It occupies a very pleasant and convenient cul-de-sac position close to the centre of Pant, within walking distance of a range of local amenities and being about 15 miles from Shrewsbury, and 6 miles from Oswestry. Porch, hall, living room, dining room/bedroom 2, two further bedrooms, conservatory and newly fitted bathroom. EPC Band: TBC.

Guide Price: £175,000

3131



Four Crosses, Llanymynech

A large detached modern property, set in easily maintained gardens, offering spacious accommodation comprising: large through entrance hall, sitting room, large conservatory, dining room, eat in kitchen, utility room, downstairs WC, three double bedrooms, en-suite bathroom and family bathroom with separate shower. Oil CH, open fronted carport and easily positioned for local amenities and the towns of Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Welshpool. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £169,050

2768



Lilac Grove, Oswestry

A well appointed and hugely extended, end of terrace house, uPVC DG, gas CH, and very large rear garden. It occupies a pleasant and very convenient position within short distance local amenities. The accommodation must be viewed to appreciate the size of this property: hall, large through living room, separate snug/family room, large L-shaped kitchen/dining room, three double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, separate WC. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £145,000

2941



**WITH FOUR
BEDROOMS**

Roundwood Close, Oswestry

A spacious extended semi-detached property offering affordable four bedroom accommodation, with gas CH wood framed DG, and ample private off street parking. Entrance hall, sitting room/dining room, kitchen, good size utility room, timber and brick constructed conservatory, landing, four bedrooms, family bathroom. It occupies a quiet end of cul-de-sac position with enclosed gardens to the rear with small greenhouse. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £139,500

2985



Gobowen, Oswestry

A spacious leasehold three bedroom first floor flat having gas CH, partial uPVC DG, garden with shed and two official parking spaces. The property occupies a convenient position in the centre of Gobowen, having a range of amenities within short distance. It is accessible to the railway station and Oswestry and within short driving distance of Shrewsbury and Welshpool. Ground floor entrance hall with stairs to large first floor landing, delightful living room, modern well equipped kitchen/breakfast room, good size bathroom with WC and three bedrooms. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £115,000

3077



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OSWESTRY



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- GFCH & D/G
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- EPC Band - JUD814

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OSWESTRY



- Attractive Victorian Terraced House.
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- EPC Band E JUD710

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- Large Corner Plot
- Scope for Improvement
- EPC Band D JUD801

£245,000

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- Det. house with purpose built granny annex close to town shops
- D/G C/H
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Study & Laundry
- 3 Bedrooms
- Double Garage
- Ground Floor Annex
- Large Garden
- EPC Band F JUD782

£280,000

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- Attractive And Well Appointed Three Bedroom Detached House.
- GFCH & UPVC D/G
- Two Reception Rooms
- Utility
- Three Bedrooms
- Separate WC
- Detached Garage
- Fine Gardens
- Outskirts Of Oswestry
- EPC Band D JUD779

£239,950

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- Exceptionally Well Appointed Country Property
- Central Heating & D/Glazing
- 2 Good Sized Reception Rooms
- Breakfast Kitchen
- 3 Beds
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- Bathroom
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- EPC Band E JUD749

£274,500

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- EPC Band E JUD775148863

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GUIDE £575,000

OSWESTRY



- Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow Occupying a Quiet Elevated Position Within Walking Distance of The Town
- Gas Fired Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Three Bedrooms
- Garden Room
- Garage
- EPC Band D JUD792

£154,950

OSWESTRY



- Gas Fired Heating
- Entrance Hall
- Dining Room
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NEW

A detached bungalow set in a generous plot in a convenient village location close to local amenities and services. The property provides spacious living accommodation with three bedrooms, bathroom, attached double garage with useful annexe/studio room above.

£239,950

Oswestry

NEW

A spacious, detached apartment situated within easy walking distance of Oswestry town centre, comprising a large open plan living area with modern kitchen off, two en-suite bedrooms with storage, secure off street parking and a covered balcony. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'C'.

£140,000

Llanrhaeadr YM

NEW

A charming end of terrace cottage situated within the village of Llanrhaeadr Ym Mochnant, containing original features requiring some redecoration and maintenance. The property benefits from a small workshop and storage sheds, rear garden and off street parking.

£134,950

Llansantffraid YM

NEW

A spacious, four bedroom, two ensuite, upgraded Grade II listed village property containing a wealth of exposed beams and timbers. The property provides excellent family accommodation with delightful enclosed garden and patio, garage and store shed. Oil Fired Central Heating. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'E'.

£260,000

Guilfield

LAST PLOT REMAINING

An opportunity to purchase one of only three properties in this development to be constructed by local developer, Wyro Developments Ltd. The property has open views over parkland and the purchaser will have a choice of finishes if reserved early.

£335,000

Penybont Fawr

NO CHAIN

A newly refurbished and extended detached property occupying a large corner plot in the heart of the village of Penybont Fawr comprising two downstairs bedrooms and bathroom and two ensuite first floor bedrooms. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'C'.

£255,000

Oswestry

A substantial, detached four bedroomed family house in a much sought after residential area of Oswestry within only a few minutes walking distance of open countryside. The property benefits from a single garage with driveway and established front and rear gardens. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'C'.

£229,950

Llansantffraid

A modern four bedroom detached family home benefiting from the balance of the NHBC Guarantee. The property boasts integrated appliances, ensuite shower room to the master bedroom, double garage with additional parking and garden with patio area. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'C'.

£205,000

Llanfair Caereinion

An attractive, characterful and well appointed three bedroom detached converted chapel. The property is situated in an elevated position over looking the River Barwy and is within walking distance of Llanfair Caereinion Town Centre. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'D'.

£184,995

The Carriages

Brand new self contained apartments situated on the edge of Oswestry town centre. The contemporary accommodation comprises open plan living with kitchen, dining & sitting area with two double bedrooms. The apartments boast balconies, off street parking, floor to ceiling glazing and gas central heating.

£115,000

Oswestry

TO LET

A spacious, detached apartment situated within easy walking distance of Oswestry town centre, comprising a large open plan living area with modern kitchen off, two en-suite bedrooms with storage, secure off street parking and a covered balcony. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'C'.

£510 pcm

Willow Street

TO LET

A spacious one bedroom first floor apartment in Oswestry town centre, within a superb character property, which has been well maintained and managed. Please note agency fees are covered by the Landlord. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'D'.

£400 pcm

The Carriages

TO LET

A three bedroom town house comprising large open plan living space including fully fitted kitchen, dining area and spacious sitting area, three double bedrooms, master with ensuite shower room and balcony, main bathroom and covered parking spaces. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'C'.

£685 pcm

Near Guilsfield

TO LET

A detached country cottage with immaculate accommodation comprising fully fitted kitchen, utility, cloakroom, sitting room, sun room, three bedrooms, family bathroom, spacious gardens and open fronted garage. EPC Rating - 'D'.

£650 pcm

Llansantffraid

TO LET

A spacious four bedroom, two ensuite, Grade II listed village property containing a wealth of exposed beams and timbers. The property provides family accommodation with a good sized enclosed garden and patio and garage and store shed. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'F'.

£695 pcm

Chirk Bank

TO LET

A modern semi detached three bedroomed house in convenient location with master bedroom ensuite and fenced rear garden. The property benefits from off street parking, gas fired central heating and double glazing. Available mid April. EPC Rating - 'B'.

£550 pcm

Llandysilio

TO LET

A delightful C16th grade II listed farmhouse, maintaining many of its original Medieval characteristics, comprising breakfast kitchen, three reception rooms, five bedrooms, two bathrooms, double garage, tack rooms and gardens. Additional land is available. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'C'.

£850 pcm

Bailey Street

TO LET

A modern, spacious second floor flat situated in a convenient town centre location. The accommodation comprises kitchen with pantry off, spacious living room, one double bedroom and bathroom. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'F'.

£325 pcm

Glyn Ceiriog

TO LET

Modern apartments situated within the centre of the village, comprising open plan kitchen and living area with double doors to a decked sitting area, two good sized bedrooms, bathroom and two designated parking spaces. Energy Efficiency Rating - 'D'.

£450 pcm

The Carriages

TO LET

A spacious apartment with lift access situated within easy walking distance of the town centre. The accommodation comprises open plan kitchen and living space, ensuite master bedroom, second bedroom, bathroom, king balcony and designated parking. Energy Efficiency Rating 'B'.

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- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Conservatory, Two Spacious Bedrooms, Shower Room and Integral Garage
- The property also has a good size rear garden whilst to the front of the property is a tarmac driveway with ample parking for two cars. uPVC double glazing throughout and Gas C/H. EPC Rating D

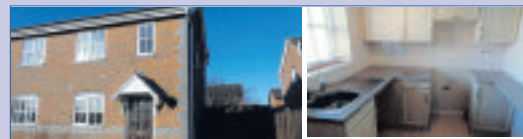
Old Maps Way Morda £167,950

**NEW**

King Street Oswestry

£79,995

- A Mid Terrace property Convenient to all facilities close to the center of the town
- Entrance porch, Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Cellar
- Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Attic Room, Rear Yard
- Double Glazing throughout. Ideal for investment.
- EPC Rating

**NEW - SOLD SUBJECT TO CONTRACT**

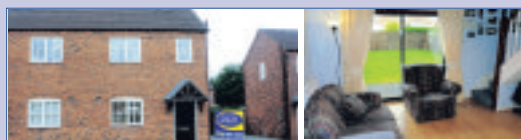
- A well located Semi-Detached House situated within a premier modern estate just off Cabin Lane being close to all facilities in the town.
- Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Sitting Room, Conservatory, Two Excellent Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Double glazing, gas fired central heating, enclosed lawned garden to the rear with sun patio, parking to the fore.
- Ideal for first time purchase or investment. EPC Rating C

Cabin Lane Oswestry £109,995

**NEW PRICE**

- A most spacious Detached Modern Bungalow
- Ent Hall, Sitting Rm, Dining Rm, Fitted Kitchen
- Large Conservatory, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- En-Suite Shower Room, Utility Rm. D/G
- Cavity wall insulation, Gas C/H, single garage
- Fully enclosed rear gardens with extensive patio

Aspen Court Weston Rhyn £180,000

**NEW PRICE**

- A well located and convenient Semi-Detached House
- Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, Kitchen, 2 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Double glazing, Gas C/H, lawned rear garden
- Parking to the fore and side.
- Ideal for first time purchase or investment.

Cabin Lane, Oswestry £109,995

**NO CHAIN**

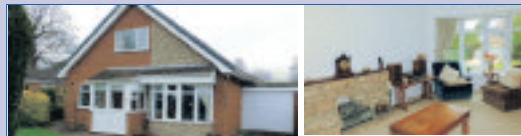
- A well positioned and comfortably appointed Detached Bungalow situated in an elevated location just off Monkmoor Road and convenient to all facilities within the town
- Entrance Hall, Large Sitting Room, Kitchen, Three Excellent Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room, Family Bathroom
- Partial double glazing, an open carport, delightful gardens and grounds surrounding the property. EPC Rating E

Walford Road Oswestry £140,000

**NEW - NO CHAN**

- A most delightful and well presented four bedroomed Mid-Terrace property that was constructed to high standards in 2007
- Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, a Large Sitting/Dining Room, a feature Kitchen with integrated appliances and granite working surfaces, Study
- Four Excellent Bedrooms, En-Suite, Shower Room and Family Bathroom
- Quality fittings and fittings throughout and recently decorated through, security system
- Double glazing, Gas C/H, integral garage, parking to fore for several vehicles. EPC Rating C

Lutton Close Oswestry £225,000

**NO CHAIN**

- A spacious and well appointed 2/3 Bedroom Detached Dormer Bungalow located close to the centre of the popular village of St Martins.
- Kitchen, Living Room and Bathroom together with a Dining Room which alternatively could be used as a ground floor bedroom.
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- uPVC double glazing throughout, uPVC gutters and fascia boards and gas fired central heating. EPC Rating D

Berwyn Drive St. Martins £189,995

**NO CHAIN**

- A well positioned and most comfortably appointed Detached Bungalow set in a most popular area just a short distance from the town centre and having open views over playing fields to the rear.
- Entrance Hall, A sunny Sitting Room/Dining Room, Kitchen with Appliances, Utility, Two Excellent Bedrooms, Family Bathroom.
- Double Glazing, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC low maintenance barges and soffit's, Lawned garden to the fore and a pleasure garden to the rear. EPC Rating D

Croeswylan Cres Oswestry £169,950

**NEW - NO CHAIN**

- A most spacious Detached Residential Dwelling House set within a popular area within the attractive village of West Felton being approximately 5 miles from Oswestry and 12 miles from Shrewsbury.
- Offering generous accommodation on a well planned layout. Entrance Porch, Wide Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Large Sitting Room, Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility/Rear Lobby,
- Four Excellent Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, En-Suite Shower Room. Oil fired central heating, double glazing, double garage. EPC Rating D

The Maltings West Felton £225,000



Llanrhaeadr Ym Nr Oswestry £275,000

- A wonderfully positioned & spacious Detached House
- On the outskirts of the village of Llanrhaeadr
- Entrance Hall, Sitting Rm, Dining Rm
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room/Utility, Cloaks
- 5 Double Bedrooms (1 En-Suite Bathroom)
- Study/Occasional Bedroom, Family Bathrm
- Oil C/H, car parking. Outstanding views
- EPC Rating E



Milars Field Morda £139,950

- A well positioned and most comfortably appointed Mid-Terrace Residential House, just over five years old and offering generous accommodation on a well planned layout.
- Principally includes: Entrance Hall, Large Sitting Room, Kitchen/Dining Room, Three Excellent Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, En-Suite Shower Room
- Double glazing throughout, Gas central heating, a delightful paved garden and sun patio to the rear, parking for two cars. EPC Rating C



Old Maps Way Morda £199,950

- A most comfortably appointed and spacious Detached House
- Lounge, Dining Rm, Fitted Kitchen/Breakfast Rm, Large Conservatory
- 4 Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room 7 Family Bathroom
- D/G, Gas CH, security system, cavity wall insulation
- Integral garage, delightful gardens and grounds
- Views over Shropshire countryside



Croeswylan Lane Oswestry £349,950

- A most comfortably appointed & spacious Detached House
- Wide Entrance Hall, Cloaks, Sitting Rm, Dining Rm, Study
- Snug, Kitchen/Breakfast Rm, Rear Lobby/Utility, 4 Bedrooms
- En-Suite shower & Family Bathroom
- Large Attic Room currently used for recreational purposes
- Gas C/H, double garage, patio & delightful gardens to rear
- EPC Rating E

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Llansantffraid Nr Oswestry £299,950

- A most impressive Detached House
- Set within approx 2 acres of gardens Paddock & woodland
- Sitting Room, Dining Room/Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- T.V. Room/Bedrm 5 Living Rm/Study, Utility Rm, 4 1st Floor Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom, En-Suite Shower Rm
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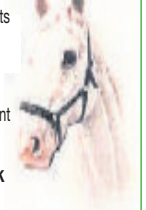
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Deaths

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**Kenneth
(Ken)**

Sadly passed away peacefully on March 7, 2013, aged 79 years.

Beloved Husband of the late Vera Elizabeth Beckett, loving Dad to Nigel, Helen and Alison and dear Grandad to Dale, Riley, Callum, Cameron and Megan.

Funeral Service at Oswestry Cemetery Chapel on Thursday, March 28, at 10.30am, followed by private Cremation.

Family flowers only, donations if desired to The British Heart Foundation and Help for Heroes.

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DAVIES

John Albert

Passed away peacefully on March 10, 2013, aged 83 years.

Much loved Husband of Beryl and a loving Dad, Grandad and Great-Grandad.

Funeral Service at Pentrebychan Crematorium, Wrexham, on Tuesday, March 26, at 3pm.

Family flowers only.

Donations if desired to Cancer Research UK.

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**LAKIN
Sheila**

Of Galton Drive and Ebnal Road, Shrewsbury.

On March 14, 2013, aged 61 years.

Mother of Adam and Partner to Steve.

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THOMAS

**Mildred Agnes
(Millie)**

Passed away peacefully at home on March 6, 2013, aged 100 years.

Dearly loved Wife of the late Idris, beloved Mother of Ronald, Marlene, David and the late Stanley, Mother-in-law of Pat, Grandmother to Stephen, Gareth and Rachel and Great-Grandmother to Natalie, Jenni and Owen.

Funeral Service at St Oswald's Parish Church, Oswestry, on Monday, March 25, at 10.30am, followed by Cremation at Pentrebychan Crematorium, Wrexham.

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Deadline for views on library changes

TIME is running out for people in Oswestry to give their views on changes to the town's library.

A survey has been set up and people have until the end of the month to give their opinion on the library's transformation into a 'service hub', where visitors can get help and advice on council matters as well as books.

But the move has provoked complaints, with some town councillors reporting that the library has become smaller as a result. In response, Shropshire Council set up the online survey to get people's opinions on their visit to the library, how it could be improved and what services they would like to see offered.

But it does not ask people for their views on how the changes have affected the library. This month town councillor Stephen Haworth urged people to use the survey to address the matter.

He said: "People can make reference on the forms to include how they feel the library has been or has not been affected by the hub."

A spokesman for Shropshire Council said responses will be "considered and analysed" with a plan for the findings to be considered at the end of May. The questionnaires are available in the library or at www.surveymonkey.com/s/communityhubsoswestry

Demands for better service as bus passengers left stranded

CALLS HAVE been made for improvements to Oswestry's bus service amid claims people are being left stranded because of a lack of evening connections and pensioners are 'prisoners' in their homes because of the way routes are organised.

The claims were made by councillors at a development and planning committee meeting on Wednesday night, when Shropshire Council's integrated passenger transport service's Tony Harrison was there to hear concerns about the bus service in and around Oswestry.

Councillor Steve Haworth said one main omission from the town's bus service was any link to the multi million pound new leisure centre. He said: "The leisure centre does not have a bus service close to it. The old centre on College Road did and the nearest bus to the new centre is quite some distance from it. How are people to get there if they don't have their own transport?"

He added: "Another concern is evening bus routes to rural areas. I have come across people stuck at the bus station because they can't get a bus back out."

Distance

Councillor Paul Milner said elderly residents of sheltered and supported housing complexes such as Florence Court and Abraham Court were unable to use the buses because the routes were too far away.

He said: "They can't walk a great distance and can't afford taxis. Some of them are prisoners in their own homes."

Councillor Saffron Rainey said people from outlying villages who work in Oswestry had transport problems in the evening, with the bus to Llansantffraid leaving Oswestry at 5.10pm. He said he was disappointed at the service between Shropshire and Wales, especially Oswestry to Llangollen.

Town mayor Martin Bennett said timetable information at some bus stops was poor.

Mr Harrison said he would take the comments back to Shropshire Council and the bus operators.

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Welcome for road repairs

A REDUCTION in traffic noise has been welcomed by residents by villagers at Pant and Llanyrnnech.

Residents living by the road on the Shropshire/Wales border are pleased traffic noise will be reduced when a new surface is installed.

They have been battling for better road measures including a crossing, to slow down traffic and make the road safer and quieter.

Roadworks started on the A483 on March 4, with resurfacing, replacing signs between Llanyrnnech and Upper Sweeny and a signal controlled pedestrian crossing between Pant Village Hall and the village shop.

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Company is taking over town market

A NEW company will take over the running of a loss-making Shropshire market hall next week.

A Community Interest Company (CIC) will sign a contract with Shropshire Council on March 25 to run Ellesmere Market Hall, in Scotland Street.

The CIC is a limited company made up of local business people and councillors.

The Ellesmere CIC includes Lincoln McMullan, chairman of Ellesmere Chamber of Commerce, and Alan Clarke, town mayor.

The company has stepped in to prevent an outside firm from running the market hall.

It is not known how much money the market is losing.

The CIC plans to introduce events including farmers' markets to get more people using the site.

Once the move is complete Shropshire Council will still be responsible for bringing the hall up to scratch.

Mr McMullan said they had plans to redecorate the building and install a kitchen. He said: "We are nearly there and everything is pretty much finalised."

"We want to try and make it operating at a profit."

"Once complete we hope to market it as a venue for things like children's parties."

Store's support for foodbank



SAINSBURY'S in Oswestry has selected the Oswestry and Borders Foodbank as their chosen charity of the year. Members of the public can drop in items of food into the trolley on the way out of the superstore. The food is then distributed to families in the Oswestry area on low incomes or those in sudden crisis, such as redundancy, benefit delay or an unexpected bill. With the trolley is Connie Heap, from Sainsbury's.

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Schubert Mass to feature in concert

A SPRING concert will be held in Welshpool next month.

The Guilsfield Singers/Cantorian Cegidfa Spring Concert will take place at St Mary's Church on April 13 from 7.30pm.

It will present the Schubert Mass in G, as well as works by Monteverdi and Parry among others.

The principal soloist Sarah Garrett will be joined by Bethan Scotfor, who is a long-term friend and member.

A spokesman for the singers said: "Following a very successful partnership in 2011 they are again delighted to feature the Maldwyn Strings who will be accompanying their principal work, as well as featuring in the programme."

Ticket sales will support the local charity Montgomeryshire Emergency Doctors and can be bought on the door, from Welshpool Jewellers or by calling (01938) 590809.

Cookery class

STUDENTS at Oswestry Campus of Walford and North Shropshire College have enjoyed a master-class taught by chef Darren Davies from Walls Restaurant. He demonstrated desserts including a sweet choux pastry.

Welcome for CCTV upgrade

A MOVE to upgrade Oswestry's CCTV camera system has been welcomed by councillors after it was described as a 'fantastic' tool in combating crime.

And the councillors also welcomed the news that former town police inspector Jim Stafford had been asked to co-ordinate the project.

Talks have been held between Shropshire Council, the police and Oswestry Town Council on how the camera system should be run in the future, town councillors were told at a planning meeting. Town clerk David Preston said Mr Stafford, a keen supporter of CCTV

by **Iain St John**

Future homes fear for town

OSWESTRY could get more than its fair share of new housing because of how a draft planning document has been drawn up, councillors have claimed.

They fear Oswestry would have to take the extra houses if smaller market towns are unable to deliver the allocations suggested in draft policies in Shropshire Council's Site Allocations and Management of Development (SAMDev) plan.

The draft policies, which are currently out for consultation, say Shropshire's market towns, excluding Shrewsbury, will have to provide a further 6,124 houses by 2026. But planning consultant Brian Smith, who is helping put together Oswestry Town Council's response to the consultation, told members last week that the allocation proposal could pose a danger to the town.

Mr Smith said: "If we are put together with other smaller market towns but they fail to deliver, they may look elsewhere and they may well look towards Oswestry."

while he was in charge of the town's policing, would be a CCTV co-ordinator.

Mr Preston told councillors one of the main issues for the future would be over how the CCTV system is funded.

He said the cost of the system was met by a partnership of various bodies including the town council. But he warned if any of the partners dropped their level of funding, that could cause an issue for the town council because the fibre optics and maintenance contracts were in the council's name.

Forward

Mr Preston said the way forward would be to investigate the cost of upgrading the CCTV system and where cameras should be sited so they are as effective as possible.

Councillor Chris Schofield said the council had asked for figures on the impact of the cameras on crime levels but they had not been made available.

Councillor Bill Benyon, who has been a member of a team who monitor the cameras in Oswestry, insisted the cameras were a huge boost in the fight against crime.

"They are fantastic. When we first brought them in they pushed the crime rates up but we were detecting crimes we otherwise would not have had," he said.

Councillor Steve Haworth, a former police officer, said CCTV was a useful tool if used properly. He also said suitable hard drives had to be installed so images could be stored properly and used in evidence.

School serves up local produce

WEST Felton School, near Oswestry, played host to a farmers' market, selling everything from cakes to pies and jams to joints of meat. A range of local firms were present and the pupils brought in some of their own creations. Selling fresh produce were pupils Molly Creaser-Ogden, Lily-May Lawrence and Poppy Terry.

Show to celebrate sounds of Ireland

RENOWNED international artists will be performing at the next Borderline Music presentation on April 5.

The group's next event takes place at the Cross Keys, Selattyn, when Ireland's traditional musician of the year, accordionist Dermot Byrne and French harpist, fiddler and singer Floriane Blancke will be on stage.

Dermot Byrne is perhaps best known as part of the legendary group Altan. Originally from County Donegal, he has played Irish music since he was very young.

Born in Paris, Floriane Blancke studied classical music at the Bordeaux conservatoire, then studied jazz and world music before moving to Ireland in 2006.

You can book tickets at The Gates, Church Street, Oswestry, or 01691 791403 (John) or 01948 710218 (Eirene). The event starts at 8pm, with doors opening at 7.30pm. Tickets are £8 for adults and £5 for children.

Hospital visit

ALL the family doctors who attended the recent GP study day at Oswestry Orthopaedic gave feedback of excellent and good for questions about the hospital. Doctors travelled from a wide area to hear presentations by consultants.

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Rachel is joining financial advisers



Rachel Wilkinson

RACHEL Wilkinson has joined the Oswestry office of the National Farmers as a life co-ordinator after working for over 20 years in the financial services industry.

Rachel was bought up locally on her family farm and will be working alongside Stephen Spencer the financial adviser.

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Talks decide future spend of £1m award for villages

TALKS were held last night (Wednesday) to form a partnership which will decide how £1 million of lottery funding should be spent in three Shropshire villages.

The funding has been given by the Big Local lottery fund and the cash will be spent in the villages of Gobowen, St Martins and Weston Rhyn.

The group's delivery group were meeting at Gobowen Scout Hut to discuss forming a partnership which will take the project to its next phase.

The partnership will later this year submit a development plan which will set out how the £1m will be used and invested.

by Graham Breeze

Public urged to fill in survey

PEOPLE are being urged to use an online survey about a service hub in Oswestry to note their comments about its effect on the town library before it ends next week.

Shropshire Council is carrying out a controversial pilot scheme which has transformed Oswestry Library into a one-stop-shop for services.

There has been some complaints over the change with some town councillors remarking they had been told it had become noisier and smellier.

The unitary authority has created an online survey find out people's views but people only have until the end of March to answer the three questions in it. They are 'What have you enjoyed about your visit to the hub?', 'how could we improve your experience?' and 'what else would you like to see included in the hub in the future?'

The survey is at www.surveymonkey.com/s/communityhuboswestry

Chairman of the delivery group Nick Heard, said: "We now want to get the partnership formally established as soon as we can."

"The only requirements from the Big Lottery are that there must be a minimum of eighth members on the partnership, and at least 51 per cent of them must live or work in our Big Local programme area."

"We expect eventually to have quite a lot more members than this."

"We need to make sure that there is good representation from each of the three communities, and from as many sections of our communities as possible - young people, older people, businesses, faith groups, and so on."

"We hope that some of the people who attended the meeting will decide to come on board and take an active part as community representatives straight away, although it will also be possible to join the partnership at a later stage as well."

The £1 million funding will be spent in the three villages over a 10 year period.

The villages were among the first wave of Big Local programmes to be announced by lottery bosses.

There are now a total of 150 Big Local programmes in England.

The programme helps communities which in the past have missed out on lottery funding.

Lawyers altering pricing policies



David Battisby

A FIRM of solicitors is adopting a new approach to how they price work.

Lanyon Bowdler has come up with a scheme which will present clients with a menu of cost options, depending on the scope of the work involved.

"We all like to know how much something is actually going to cost," said David Battisby, managing partner at Lanyon Bowdler. "But for decades solicitors have been known for billing by the hour, presenting an initial estimate, occasional updates and quite often a final bill that could still come as a shock and make your eyes water."

"Finally, a local firm of solicitors is adopting a refreshing approach as to how they price work for their clients."

He added: "Pricing work can be complex, but it will offer a transparency for our clients."

New-look hotel keeps features



The Hand Hotel in the centre of Chirk.

THE Hand Hotel at Chirk now has a new look but still retains much of its character from the era in which it was built.

Built in 1610 during the reign of James I, the hotel was originally a coaching inn serving the Shrewsbury to Betws y Coed section of the London to Holyhead coaching route.

Although today the hotel has many modern amenities, it still retains much of its character.

The hotel prides itself that food is freshly

prepared and the recently opened Ostlers café, bar and bistro is the latest development offering a varied menu in a comfortable and relaxed dining area for all the family.

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Cash boost for young players

YOUNG footballers in Ellesmere have received more than £1,000 in sponsorship money.

Tina Evans, fundraiser for Ellesmere Rangers Juniors Football Club, said the money donated by businesses and sponsors had helped pay for kit and other equipment.

So far she has collected £1,200.

She said: "As a youth league we collect funding by our volunteers approaching various organisations and local companies to provide all the equipment, courses and kits that are invaluable to supporting the youth section in this way."

"Many children would otherwise not be able to afford to enjoy this game should this aspect not exist."

The club plays at the Beech Grove Playing Fields. For more information visit the website www.pitchero.com/clubs/ellesmererangers

Coffee and cake in aid of school

FRIENDS of Leighton School are holding a coffee, cake and craft morning at Welshpool Town Hall Corn Exchange on Saturday, April 6 from 9am.

The Friends are promising homemade cakes and refreshments for sale as well as craft stalls to browse and buy from.

New arts centre in pipeline for town's old cinema site

AMBITIOUS plans have been revealed to transform Oswestry's former Regal cinema into a multi-purpose arts venue.

The cinema closed in 1994 but town resident Chas Nicholson said he would like to see the building brought back into use.

His plans are in the very early stages but he wants to create a community interest company to transform the place into a venue for theatre and opera, cinema, conferences, music recitals, exhibitions and a space for education and community groups.

The old Regal cinema, in Leg Street, is currently on the market with Celt Rowlands &

by **Graham Breeze**

Ukulele ace's talk on Beatle

THE story of how George Harrison learnt how to play the ukulele came under the spotlight at a meeting of Ellesmere Probus Club.

Members listened spellbound as John Croft, from Llanyblodwel, told how he taught the Beatle to play in the style of British actor and singer George Formby.

Mr Croft, known as the Ukulele Man, is a retired geography teacher who worked at Oswestry School. He is also a past president of the George Formby Society and has been a member of the Ukulele Society of Great Britain for more than 30 years.

Club president Richard Williams said: "Mr Croft became hooked on the instrument when he bought a small bango-uke in a junk shop for £4."

"He demonstrated makes of ukulele and traced the family history of George Formby."

"He also said how he became friends with George Harrison, after he telephoned his home in 1990 to ask for advice on ukuleles."

Co with the asking price of £475,000.

Mr Nicholson said if his vision became reality it would benefit the town.

These benefits, he said, could include boosting the local economy, regenerating the town centre, enhancing the night time economy and reducing the need for people to travel elsewhere for entertainment.

He has already been speaking to a number of people, including Shropshire Council, about the project.

Mr Nicholson said it was an ambitious project.

Education

"The idea is to set up the community interest company and lobby to buy the former Regal cinema," he said.

"The idea is to buy it for the town to be used as a multi-purpose centre for music, theatre, community and education use and so on."

"It is a great scheme. The time for such a scheme has come."

"The aim is to establish a right to buy this and renovate it."

"It is a very expensive project, I wouldn't like to say how much it will cost."

He said the cost would go on renovation and equipment for inside.

"Once the community interest company has been established people can join the project," he said.

A meeting about the initiative is planned to be held soon.

Recycling cash aids school



From left, Oliver Perry, Macy Dyke and Poppyanne Smart. Picture: Picture Flemmich.

IT'S a load of rubbish to some, but to the pupils of West Felton School it is a way of creating a play area, paying for trips and even providing music lessons.

Parents and villagers have been arriving at the primary school with bags of old clothes, shoes, soft toys, curtains and bedding, which is then picked up by the Bag-2-School scheme in exchange for cash for the Friends of West Felton School.

The Friends want to use the money to help extend and refurbish the school's wooden play area, created six or seven years ago.

Gill Sturges, one of the members, said: "It is a very successful textile recycling fundraising scheme."

"It is a perfect way for people to get rid of unwanted clothes and other items and I know that a lot of people always have a bag at home that when something is too small or no longer wanted they put in it to help the school."

The total raised is not yet known, but she said this was a very useful regular fundraiser for the school.

Project is launched for Welsh journals

A HIGHLY ambitious project that has made available online hundreds of thousands of pages of Welsh historical newspapers free of charge has been launched.

The National Library of Wales' Historical Newspapers and Journals Project is digitising historical Welsh newspapers and journals, some dating back to the early 19th century, using the latest digital technology.

The scheme began in 2009 and 600,000 pages are now publicly available completely free of charge.

The Welsh Government has provided £2 million to the £3 million project which is digitising all of the National Library's paper holdings of out-of-copyright newspapers and journals, generally those published in Wales up to 1911 and comprising hundreds of different titles.

The aim is to create an easily accessible teaching and research library for schools, universities and home users relating to the culture, history and identity of Wales.

The scheme was officially launched by Heritage Minister Huw Lewis. He said: "I am delighted the Welsh Government has been able to provide £2 million of support to this significant project that will be the largest body of searchable text relating to Wales."

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Tourism sites get together at event

A SWAP shop with a difference was held in Oswestry last Friday as the area's visitor attractions get set for the tourist season.

Tourist bosses met at the town's Guildhall to give out leaflets to the public, network with similar businesses and reveal their plans for the year.

Organised by Oswestry Borderland Tourism, the promotion also allowed tourism bodies to share experiences and work together on projects.

Among the people attending the swap shop, were representatives from Whittington Castle who were launching their 2013 event programme.

Castle manager Sue Ellis said the property had planned an extensive programme of events ranging from Easter egg trails to large Medieval re-enactments and from car boot sales to a Planthunter Fair.

She said: "There should be something to suit all family members this year at Whittington Castle."

"Some of the highlights are our large Norman Re-enactment event from May 4 to May 6 and our Fairy and Monsters Festival in June which this year includes an outdoor professional production of A Midsummers Night's Dream, as well as our multi period re-enactment event in July."

ON THE WILD SIDE

with Ben Waddams



IT'S official, yesterday the tilt of the Earth's axis was inclined neither away from nor towards the Sun, the centre of the Sun being in the same plane as the Earth's equator. In other words, it was the equinox and we entered spring.

Spring is traditionally a time of warmer days, birth and new life and buds and blooms. The problem, as we are all well aware, is that spring is a very fickle season and we have yet to hit it as far as temperatures go. This is often not a problem for plants, as they can delay the opening of their buds for warmer days, hopefully, just around the corner. But it does present a problem for over-wintering animals, who simply can't wait or sleep for much longer.

Add to that the fact that some hibernating species are already suffering declines at the best of times and you begin to hope for warmer temperatures with a somewhat fervent longing. One such creature is the bumblebee.

Much has been made of the decline of this industrious insect in the last few decades and for good reason. More than 80 per cent of the total land area of Britain is used for agriculture and as any GCSE geographer will/should know, since the Second World War, government policy and resulting economic pressure has driven an intensification of agriculture with an acceleration of mechanisation. Therefore much land that was previously considered to be of borderline profitability (especially wet grassland, the bumblebee's preferred habitat), and frequently allowed to remain relatively undisturbed, has been reclaimed for cultivation.

Be that as it may, there are organisations and individuals doing what they can to prevent the extinction of our 20 or so species of bumblebee, going some way in reversing the 60 per cent decline in numbers since the 70s. Planting the right flowers in both gardens and field margins and protecting and rejuvenating wild flower meadows is key.

One of the few flowers out and about at this time of the year, is one that is usually overlooked. However, under scrutiny it is a beautiful organism and a great friend of the bumblebees. Queen bees are already leaving their hiberna-



Bumblebee and Red Dead Nettle acrylic sketch 2013 - By Ben Waddams.

tion quarters and searching out a new nest site. But they do of course need fuel to do this and one of their most important flowers is the red dead nettle.

Sting

Dead nettles are zygomorphic flowers (meaning they can be split down only one mirror plane, like a human face) with a top hood-like petal, two lower lip petal lobes and minute fang-like lobes between.

Though superficially similar to a nettle in appearance,

they are not related and do not sting, hence the name 'dead-nettle'. They rival the best orchids in miniature and are really worth a closer look. If all that wasn't enough for you, the young plants have edible tops and leaves which make for a pleasant addition to any stir-fry as a spring vegetable. They are also good in salads, above which perhaps I could suggest a fitting drizzle of honey dressing.

Ben Waddams is a wildlife artist whose new works can be seen online at www.waddams.webs.com

New care home is shown at open day

THE public got a chance to take a look around Oswestry's new £6.9 million care home this week ahead of its opening next month.

Two open sessions were held on Wednesday by Coverage Care at New Fairholme, on Shrewsbury Road, before it officially opens its doors to residents in April.

Bosses said the sessions offered potential residents, their families, and members of the community a chance to tour the latest in residential and nursing facilities.

The multi-million pound investment is creating more than 50 new jobs and will offer state of the art care to residents who are moving from the old Fairholme home at Morda Road.

Chief executive of Coverage Care David Coull said: "The new Fairholme sets new standards for the development of new care homes in this region."

"The building is full of natural light, and has a welcoming and traditional stylish design, while offering the highest quality of nursing and care facilities."

Also visiting the home during open events were the families of residents at Coverage Care's current Fairholme site in Morda Road, which is leased from Shropshire Council.

Shared Ownership changes the house buying landscape

If you would like to buy your own home but fear that you could never afford a mortgage, now is the time to take note.

This week, in Shropshire and across the rest of the UK, it is Shared Ownership Week; a team effort by housing associations throughout the land to let you know that help in becoming a homeowner is at hand. The HomeBuy shared ownership scheme gives you the chance to buy a new house, but without taking all of the risks and without having to satisfy a bank or building society that you can cover the whole cost alone. It allows you to buy an initial share of between 25 per cent and 75 per cent of your home using a smaller deposit and mortgage, then pay a reduced rent on the remaining share. Shropshire Housing Group is a social landlord that has thrown its support behind HomeBuy Shared Ownership and has made more than 150 homes available to families putting their first foot on the rungs of the housing ladder.

New homes are available around Shropshire and more will be built in the future in areas that support and boost our county's existing communities. Right now, Shropshire Housing Group has homes in Jubilee Way in Market Drayton, Cleve View, Ludlow, and re-sale properties at a number of locations around the county.

Take Jubilee Way in Market Drayton; you could become part owner of a two bedroom newly built house featuring gas central heating, a fitted kitchen including a hob oven with extractor fan, and fitted wardrobes in the master bedroom. What might have seemed like an impossible dream can now be a reality for hard working families who can access a shared ownership mortgage at competitive rates, thanks to having a housing association as their partner.

Plans that are now well underway will provide another 25 shared ownership homes throughout Shropshire and north Herefordshire in the next two years, opening up this option to even more families. Those who have taken this route are very pleased that they did.

Sian France has recently moved into Windsor Place in Church Stretton and said 'My new home is lovely, we have more usable space, its well built and has given me a step onto the property ladder. My son and I are very settled here.'

Already, almost 200,000 households across the UK have been helped into home ownership in this way and they are reaping the benefit from a partnership that provides them with a home sooner than they might otherwise have managed it. It also brings the economic benefits that come with new home construction and helps boost local communities by encouraging aspiration, offering stability and allowing people to take up employment opportunities. Mortgages remain available for shared ownership with growing confidence in the product.

This approach is changing the home ownership landscape for hundreds of Shropshire families. Shared Ownership Week could be the perfect time for you to find out if it's the solution for you.



Abbey Way, Market Drayton and Jubilee Way Market Drayton, 2 bed family homes



Cleve View, Ludlow 2 Bed Bungalow



Find out more about the homes available for shared ownership from the team at Shropshire Housing Group on 0300 303 1190

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Blood-curdling thriller full of twists and turns



The cast of Deathtrap at the Attfield Theatre.

HAD Oswestry journalist Jeremy Smith directed the intriguing 'Deathtrap' murder thriller in London's West End, his national newspaper colleagues would have written 'sensational' and 'pure magic'.

But this local lad not only pulled off a blinder of an Oswestry production last week, in the comfort of our own 99-seater Attfield Theatre, but displayed a further talent, by designing probably the best set ever seen in our Guildhall.

by David Parry-Jones

The weapon-laden walls of his beamed country cottage creation set the scene for a blood-curdling thriller, featuring three deaths of the five-strong cast! And each audience adored the week-long run from gentle start to horrific finish.

Deathtrap centred on a weary thriller playwright wanting one more success... and spotting it in the work of one of his course students.

The thriller - with more twists and turns than the road to Gobowen - and

plenty of dead-end leads, highlighted outstandingly talented former professional actor Michael Lord.

His demure, then frantic, screen wife was ably played by Debbie Glenn. It was left to newcomer Gary Lockley to put on a spirited performance as the student who 'died'.

Taking the performance to an higher level with two cameo roles of the best quality was Helen Roberts.

Bringing up the rear, as the playwright's solicitor, was Larry Collins, whose part was small but injected gravitas into an exceptional performance.

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GIG GUIDE

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Great gig line-up for music lovers

GIG GUIDE

with Edward Roberts



TONIGHT (Thursday) music fans are in for something special as Maria Muldaur will be performing at the Ironworks.

Perhaps best known for her hit single 'Midnight at the Oasis', Maria Muldaur was a mainstay of the American folk revival of the 1960s.

Beginning her career as Maria D'Amato she started off performing with the Even Dozen Jug Band, which featured famous musicians John Sebastian who went on to found the Lovin' Spoonful, and Steve Katz who is best known for his work with Blood, Sweat and Tears.

It sure to be a great opportunity to see one of music's most experienced performers, the gig starts at 9pm with tickets costing £11 or £13 on the door.

Cardiff-based singer/songwriter Tomos Lewis will be returning to the Royal Oak Welshpool tomorrow night. Upon releasing his EP Four Songs in March last year, he's gained a fair bit of recognition with debut single I Died Deep Inside getting airplay on BBC 6 Music and NME Radio. With a style that is reminiscent of such acts as Fionn Regan and Beirut, this a gig that shouldn't be missed. The gig starts at 9pm and is free entry.

The following night Tomos Lewis will be performing at the Angel in



Steve Edwards will be performing live at The Angel in Welshpool.

Welshpool, this time alongside Steve Edwards and String the Marionette.

Steve is a Welshpool-based singer/songwriter who plays a variety of covers, including unique takes on music by Jessie J and an English version of Gangnam Style.

Having cut his teeth supporting the likes of Dai Robs and performing at festivals such as Crash Festival 2012 and Waterloofest, Steve improves with each performance and has started to gain attention in the area.

Local band String the Marionette are currently promoting their new EP Amsonia and play exciting alternative rock with an edgy twist. The gig starts at 8pm.

Saturday night the Ironworks will have music from StayAwake. The Oswestry-based four piece were for-

merly known as Silent Blackout, but are back with a new name and new material. The band plays its own brand of energetic punk rock.

There will also be support from The Stalkers. The gig kicks off at 9pm with entry costing £3.

The Lowfield Inn, Marton, will have live music from Dangerous Dave tomorrow. It starts at 8pm and is free entry.

Sunday will see the Nesscliffe Young Farmers performing award-winning plays The Same Jeans and Willy Russell's Stags and Hens at the Packwood School Theatre, Ruyton XI Towns.

Tickets for the event cost £10 with proceeds going to Shropshire Air Ambulance and Severn Hospice. For more information ring John Hamlett on 01939 260480.

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Day 2: A trip to the Victorian town of Ventnor then on to the famous 'Needles' at **Alum Bay** ending the day in picture postcard **Godshill** including a **cream tea at the Old Smithy**.

Day 3: Trip to **Newport**, in the afternoon we visit England's largest **wine vineyard** with plenty of samples!!

Day 4: There's so much to see and do in Sandown, today free so you can explore at your own pace.

Day 5: A last breakfast before we set off for home.

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Day 1: Coach this morning to Bath, you'll have this afternoon to explore one of this beautiful Georgian city. Late afternoon we travel to our hotel in Bristol.

Day 2: Enjoy breakfast, then we travel to Longleat and start our sightseeing trip through the fantastic Safari Park. The height of the coach will give you a great view as we come close to the amazing wildlife of Wiltshire! After the tour you can view one of the most beautiful stately houses in Britain, home to the 7th Marquess of Bath. Later there's the magnificent gardens created by 'Capability' Brown. We leave Longleat about 3pm to go home.

Hilton Hotel, Bristol ★★ ★★

Located on the outskirts of Bristol, this is a modern 4 star hotel with indoor pool, 24hr gym, sauna, spa & pool. A nice bar for a relaxing drink before or after your evening meal.

Price includes: coach travel, hotel, dinner, breakfast and 'access all areas' pass into Longleat. SS £20

Coach departs: Sunday 21st April, 23rd June & 8th September £89

Llangollen

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Mini Coach Trip £89

Enjoy the beauty of Oxford and then visit one of the greatest Palaces in the world - glorious Blenheim Palace, home to the 11th Duke and Duchess of Marlborough and the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill.



Look what's included...

Day 1: Coach this morning to Oxford, you'll have this afternoon to wander and marvel at one of England's most attractive heritage cities. A guided tour of Oxford's highlights is included before we leave Oxford for our hotel.

Day 2: Breakfast then we leave the hotel and travel a short way to the Magnificent Blenheim Palace estate, inside you'll see the scale of the Palace is beautifully balanced by the fantastic interiors, including the room Churchill was born in plus the Churchill exhibition. After the house and maybe a spot of lunch if you wish, you could take a look around the gardens created by the famous 'Capability' Brown. We leave about 2:30pm and arrive home early evening.

Heythrop Park Hotel, Oxfordshire

An 18th Century Manor house set in 440 acres of stunning Oxfordshire countryside. All 137 bedrooms are situated in wings adjoining the original main house. Bedrooms with en-suite shower room, tea and coffee making facilities.

Price includes: hotel, dinner, breakfast, oxford guide, travel & excursions. SS £15

Coach departs: Sunday 9th June £89

Lake District

Mini Break £89

Enjoy a trip to the Lake District and visit fascinating Botany Bay and the charming village of Cartmel. Stay overnight in a lovely hotel and enjoy a ride on the Haverthwaite steam railway and a cruise on Lake Windermere plus free time in Grasmere.

Look what's included...

Join our coach on **Sunday** morning for the journey to the Lake District. Our first stop is the charming village of Cartmel, spend a leisurely hour here, then go on to our hotel with time to settle-in and freshen-up before dinner this evening.

Monday: Breakfast prior to a special day in the Lake District. The coach will take you to Haverthwaite to board a steam train for a short journey through the scenery of the Leven Valley to Lakeside. Here, we board a boat for a 40 minute cruise on Lake Windermere to Bowness. Enjoy some free time in Bowness including time for lunch if you wish. To round off the day we take a short trip along the shores of Windermere, through Ambleside to Grasmere and stop here for a little while before we finally leave the Lake District for home.

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MARKETS

Welshpool livestock market

March 18

OTMS (36)
A seasonal entry of 36 over thirty month old cattle sold to average 126ppkg for the older cows and 125ppkg for the younger cows and 181ppkg for the heifers under 48 months. A top price of £1263.10 was the achieved for a Simmental cow weighing 743kg from J & Vaughan Sychtyn. A Friesian cow weighing 870kg made £1148.40 from G Jones & Co Tyccerrig. J & B Vaughan Sychtyn receives the Briarwood Products Ltd prize of £25 for the highest price older cow sold on the day. We will be holding a sale for TB Tested over thirty month cattle from Monday 8th April at 9am in ring 2. If you require any further information regarding this section please contact the market on 01938 553438 or the Auctioneer Glandon Lewis on 07774 224999.

FAT CATTLE (15)
From Evans Brothers Tynewydd Llanwrin was an entry of 8 eight fat cattle which sold to average 221ppkg and selling to a top of 231ppkg for a Limousin steer weighing 650kg which was bought by G R Evans & Co Corwen. EE & MJ Jones & Sons Cwmbychan sold four fat heifers to 228ppkg, 226ppkg, 218ppkg and 215ppkg. Evans Brothers Tynewydd receives the Briarwood Products Ltd prize of £25 for the highest price per kilo animal sold on the day. Weekly sale of Fat cattle every Monday commence at approximately 12.30pm. More Fat Cattle urgently required to meet a very strong demand from

potential purchasers. If you have require any advise or wish to sell fat cattle at the market please contact the auctioneer Mr Glandon Lewis on 07774 224999 or the market office on 01938 553438.

PRIME HOGGETS (5347)

An entry of 5347 Prime Hoggets, sold to an overall average of 198ppkg.
Super Lights (17.5kg to 25.4kg) (48) to 200ppkg from GW & WW Jones Hill Farm. Others to 165ppkg from M V Wall Emporium Cottage. Average of 162ppkg.
Lights (25.5kg to 32kg) (451) to 214ppkg from GW & WW Jones Hill Farm. Others to 204ppkg from A I Watkins Maesywennol. Average of 183ppkg.

Standards (32.1kg to 39kg) (1176) to 238ppkg from E L Evans Derlwyn. Others to 227ppkg from A J Powell Llwynmawr Mill. Average of 194ppkg.
Mediums (39.5kg to 45.5kg) (1847) to 231ppkg from S Watkin Mount Nebo. Others to 218ppkg from J R Jones Brynrorin. Average of 202ppkg.

Heavies (45.1kg to 52kg) (1221) to 215ppkg from M P Harding Lower Cefnyppwl. Others to 212ppkg from A S Hopley Kingsleigh. Average of 196ppkg.

Over Weights (Over 52kg) (515) to 200ppkg from V Jerman Gwernydd. Others to 196ppkg from H G Ellis & Co Tynywern. Average of 179ppkg.

CULL EWE (1043)
An entry of 1043 cull sheep on offer for sale today, sold to average £51.53 for the ewes and £62.51 for the rams. Top price of the day for the ewes was £136 per head from D T A Williams Upper Bolbro. Top price for

the cull rams was £142 per head from CE & GT Davies Derwen. Weekly sale of cull sheep to immediately follow the sale of fat lambs at approximately 12noon.

STORE LAMBS

An entry of 230 store lambs achieving an overall average of 48.57. Theave lambs achieving a top price of £55 from D V Bebb Gelli. Mixed and clean lambs achieving a top price of £59 from EJ & GM Trickey Moat Farm. Wether lambs achieving a top price of £58.50 from C Davies Cwmariog. Tup lambs making a top price of £60 from D V Bebb Gelli. Mixed and tup lambs achieving a top price of £57 from I Meredith Esgairwddn. An entry of 87 cade lamb achieving a top price of £20 from R M Morris & Co Coed Cowrhyd. Achieving an average of £10.17.

Couples.
An entry of 70 ewes with lambs at foot. Suffolk yearling ewes with twin lambs at foot achieved a top price of £190 from A Breese & Co Fawen.

Sale of Store lambs to commence 10.30am with couples and cade lambs to follow at approximately 11.30am.

COWS & CALVES

A seasonal entry of 6 cows and calves met with a good trade once again. Top was £1800 for a Limousin 2nd calver with a Limousin heifer calf from M J Williams Pontyperson Four Crosses. An entry of 5 cows and calves from WA & OE Lloyd & Co Tynshettin sold to a top of £1700 for a British Blue cow with a Charolais heifer calf at foot.

A Limousin 3rd Calver with a charolais heifer calf sold for £1660 whilst a Simmental 6th Calver with a

Charolais bull calf made £1520. A breakdown of all the prices achieved where as follows:

£1800 + 1 lot, £1600 - £1800 2 lots, £1500 - £1600 2 lots, Less than £1500 1 lot.

FORTHCOMING SALES:

Monday 25th March, Sale of Dairy Cows.

Tuesday 26th March, March Store Cattle Fair.

Monday 1st April, Sale of Cows and Calves & April, Easter Spring Lambs Show and Sale.

Monday 8th April, Sale of Dairy Cows.

Tuesday 9th April, Sale of Organic, Weanlings & Store Cattle.

Monday 15th April, Sale of Cows and Calves.

Thursday 18th April, Sale of Pedigree Charolais Cattle.

Monday 22nd April, Sale of Dairy Cattle.

Monday 29th April, Sale of Cows and Calves.

Tuesday 30th April, April Store Cattle Fair.

Monday 6th May, Sale of Dairy Cows, Cows & Calves and Prize sale of Couples.

Monday 13th May, Cows and Calves.

Tuesday 14th May, Store Cattle.

Thursday 16th May, Sale of Pedigree Limousin, Simmental, Salers and Charolais Cattle.

Saturday 18th May, Machinery Sale at Coed y Dinas.

Monday 20th May, Cows and Calves and Dairy Cows.

Monday 27th May, Cows and Calves.

Tuesday 28th May, Store Cattle and Weanlings.

Oswestry cattle auctions

March 13

FAT CATTLE: (58)
A smaller show of cattle forward to yet another firmer trade with only a handful of smart butchers cattle forward. 90% of the bulls were dairy bred which didn't help averages. Top slots were a record breaking 268p for Heifer, 219p for Steers and 204p for Bulls. Highest price in the lump was £1500 twice for a Steer and Heifers. Bottom book of 148p for a plain bull. An overall market average of 198p was achieved.

Young Bulls (24) Overall Average 178.5p.

Light Bulls (2) Average 172.5p (£775/head) Selling to 186p from J E Evans & Sons Tedsmore Farm.

Medium Bulls (14) Average 173.5p (£870/head) Selling to 201p from D R & J A Evans Mount.

Heavy Bulls (8) Average 186p (£1180/head) Selling to 204p from G F Kempster & Son Old Port.

Steers (11) Overall Average 206p.

Medium Steers (2) Average 216p (£1140/head) Selling to 223p from J P Evans & Son Lower Eytan Farm.

Heavy Steers (9) Average 204p (£1365/head) Selling to 219p from J Morris & Sons Caedwics.

Heifers (23) Overall Average 213p.

Medium Heifer (1) Selling to 227p (£1089/head) from D & M G Hughes & Sons Tainymynydd.

Heavy Heifers (22) Average 213p (£1235/head) Selling to 268p from E Lloyd & Co Garthiaen.

A very good trade but a lack of cattle!! Where have

you all gone? More cattle needed each week to satisfy demand. Thank you for your continued support.

FAT HOGGETTS: (2684)
A very good entry of 2684 hoggets on Wednesday 13 March 2013, this was an increase of 25% on the same entry in 2012. The overall average was a very satisfactory 200.5p/kg. A small entry of 210 light hogs averaged a much improved 169.5p/kg peaking at 184p/kg with 31.5kg hogs making £58 from J G Ellis & Son Tynewydd. The standard hogs met an entry of 656 with a sound trade levelling at 193p/kg with the top call being 221p/kg from F Jackson & Son Pentre-shannel with 37.5kg making £83. The medium hogs were of outstanding quality with the 1162 averaging 208.5p/kg with the top call of the day being 245p/kg from G R Moseley & Son Dairy Barn with 43.5kg at £106.50. Many lots made between 220p and 230p/kg. The heavy's averaged 194p/kg with the over weights at 170.5p/kg. Their average price per head was £94.40 and up to £104.10 lots made £100 and over. More hogs are required to meet this good demand.

Lights to 184p average 169.5p, Standards to 221p average 193p, Mediums to 245p average 208.5p, Heavy's to 211p average 194p, Others to 189p average 170.5p. Overall average 200.5p.

Ample service is available to sort the sheep prior to the sale.

FAT EWES: (442)
Ewes to £117.00 average £37.50, Rams to £112.00, average £73.00.

Please Note : All sheep entering the Market must be tagged.

CALVES: (49)

Considerably less forward today selling to another very strong trade for good continentals, an ordinary selection of Friesians harder to sell. British Blue Heifers topping the sale at £375 from Messrs Ellis Pentrenewen £225 from Messrs Owen Tanycoed. Limousin Bulls to £342 from Messrs Jones Ladyhill £314 & £300 from Messrs Lloyd Jones Rhydonen Isaf £310 from Messrs J P Farms Llwynmawr Mill. British Blue Bulls to £332 from Messrs Davies Lower Fawngow £315 from Messrs Ellis Pentrenewen £285 from Messrs Francis New Barns. Limousin Heifers to £266 & £242 from Messrs Edwards lower Sweeney £220 & £210 from Messrs Lloyd Jones Rhydonen Isaf £210 from Messrs Wigley Drenewydd. Blonde D'Aquaine Bulls to £250 from Messrs Edwards Plasynoced. Hereford Heifers to £232 & £216 from Messrs Edwards Tynmaes.

Weanlings (6mo): Hereford Bulls to £402 Hereford Heifers to £340.

STORE CATTLE: (187)

A solid entry of cattle forward with suckler bred cattle finding a similar strong trade whilst a larger presentation of dairy bred cattle reduced the overall averages. Top price of the day was £1360 (226p/kg) paid for a Limousin x steer aged 16 months sold by W Clark & Son, Woolston. 114 steers averaged £970 (206p/kg) with notable prices including: £840 (247p/kg) and £810 (261p/kg) paid for Charolais x steers aged 11 months sold by E B Ellis, Llanwddyn; £805 (243p/kg) and £820 (234p/kg) paid for Charolais x steers aged 10-

13 months sold by H E & M L Evans, Rhydcroesau; £1095 (240p/kg), £1060 (240p/kg) & £1060 (235p/kg) paid for Charolais x steers aged 22-23 months sold by R L Edwards, Llanantffraid. 73 heifers forward averaged £798 (187p/kg) with notable prices including: £775 (242p/kg) paid for a pair of Charolais x heifers aged 10-12 months sold by H M Jones, Bala; £665 (218p/kg) paid for a pair of Limousin x heifers aged 9 & 12 months sold by D M Williams, Llangollen; £765 (232p/kg) paid for a British Blue x heifer aged 11 months sold by J E Hughes & Son, Llanarmon D C. Our next catalogue sale will be held on the 20th March with entries invited for the sale on the 27th March.

U72 & CULL COWS: (39)

A good entry number of cattle forward again met with a fantastic demand. There was a very high percentage of plain cows forward today but this did not distract from the trade whatsoever and all cattle were in very high demand.

Cows

Limousin to 170p average

161.98p/kg

Friesian to 142p average

119.46p/kg

Heifers

Friesian to 168p average

163.30p/kg

Bull

Stock Bull to 155p

39 Cattle average

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Motoring

Mazda delivers more zoom with its latest supermini

Drive time with Graham Breeze



THE MAZDA2 has long been the Japanese company's best-selling brand in the UK and its position is now strengthened with an eight-strong line up of three and five door options.

There's a lot of competition in the sector so Mazda has had no option than to continue to improve the range and with prices ranging from £10,495 to £13,495 there's more choice than ever. This Mazda may not be quite as refined as some of the opposition out there in the supermini class but it's keenly priced and fun enough to attract plenty of interest this year.

The 2 handles sharply with plenty of grip and body control and the steering is as responsive as any other model in sector. But it doesn't like bumpy conditions too much and the 1.5 Sport on test jumped around quite a bit too much despite a stiff bodyshell, soft mountings for the rear trailing arms and re-tuned rear dampers.

Equipment levels on the Mazda2 range have always been generous for a B-segment supermini. Every model comes with remote central locking, air-conditioning, electric front windows, electric door mirrors, a piano black centre stack, CD radio with USB connectivity and a Thatcham Category 1 alarm.

Moving up the range, the TS2 Automatic model features 15-inch alloy wheels, side and curtain airbags, leather steering wheel with



The Mazda2 is sporty and economical with prices from £10,495 to the top-of-the range £13,495

audio controls, two additional audio speakers, 60/40 split rear seats, trip computer with speed alarm and Dynamic Stability Control (DSC).

The Tamura model adds 16-inch alloy wheels and a Sports Styling Kit with side skirts, rear spoiler, privacy glass on 5-door models and four-cylinder headlights over the TS2 model and removes DSC.

The Sport model on test looked the part in Spirited Green Metal colour and featured 16-inch alloy wheels, sports seat trim, front fog lights, rear parking sensors, dusk-sensing lights and rain-sensing front wipers, cruise control, climate control air-conditioning, electric rear windows and privacy glass.

With a top speed of 115mph and 0-60 in under 11 seconds the Mazda is an exciting drive but still has impressive fuel returns with 48.7mpg on the combined cycle.

Visibility is good and the dash layout mixes chunky rotary heater dials and clearly labeled stereo buttons. There's plenty of seat adjustment but the steering wheel only adjusts for height so if you're of the long-legged variety things aren't as comfortable as in a lot of the opposition models.

The cabin is constructed from sturdy stuff and the plastics look like they will wear well while the 2's reliability was rated as above average in the 2012 JD Power survey.



The 2 comes with a host of attractions, finished with sturdy plastic fittings

There's all the safety equipment you would expect from a top-end model with side and curtain airbags and stability control. Deadlocks, an alarm and an engine immobiliser are fitted to keep intruders at bay.

The 2 is a four seater but you wouldn't want to travel that far as a rear seat passenger, though the five door on test did make things easier for getting in and out. Boot space of just 250litres was disappointing and failed the golf club test but with rear seats folded there was 787litres of space.

The Mazda2 looks the part and blends the brand's 'family face' with a large five-point grille and large Mazda badge.

Bumper to bumper

MAZDA2

Model: 1.5 5dr Sport
Price: £13,495
Top speed: 115mph
0-60mph: 10.7secs
Top speed: 115mph
Combined fuel: 48.7mpg
CO2 emissions: 132 g/km

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Motoring

R-Line is proving popular with fans of VW's Tiguan

Drive time
with Graham Breeze



A QUARTER of all buyers of the Volkswagen Tiguan are now choosing the R-Line which adds a number of unique and sporty styling touches inside and out.

Since it was added to the range, the Tiguan compact SUV has been a popular choice, with customers purchasing it in large numbers to make it the fourth best-selling VW after the Golf, Polo and Passat.

In the first generation, the R-Line was one of the most popular Tiguan models, accounting for nearly 20 per cent of the total sales – the most recent release has added to that figure.

The Tiguan was Volkswagen's first crossover and sticks with the company's usual strengths of quality and refinement. It's a big, but practical car, with room for up to five, and rear seats that



The Tiguan R-Line is available with three powerful engines in two and four wheel drive

slide to favour legroom or boot space. One thing is certain the Tiguan is a stunning looking car and would be at home parked on any drive. This VW is right up there as one of the best all-round crossovers on the market.

You might find some rivals with more equipment thrown in but they may lack the quality of the Tiguan. Two and four-wheel-drive versions are available, and its tall ride height, protective plastic bumpers and grippy off-road tyres mean it's capable of dealing with the worst the countryside can throw at it.

BlueMotion technology versions use start-stop and regenerative braking to save fuel so the Tiguan scores well when counting those run-

ning cost pennies. All versions come with alloy wheels and plastic scuff guards as standard but base-spec S models do without the attractive chrome trim on the windows and roof rails.

Inside, the cabin is very well built, the trademark twinned air-vents add a unique touch. SE models upwards are well equipped, but features such as Bluetooth and cruise control are expensive options.

Both petrol and diesel versions can be specified with two or four-wheel-drive and in BlueMotion technology trim. The latter adds automatic start-stop, regenerative braking and longer gearing to improve fuel economy and emissions.

The R-Line on test is based on the already



The Tiguan comes with the top quality equipment drivers expect from Volkswagen

generous SE trim level, and adds bi-xenon headlights, stunning 18-inch 'Mallory' alloy wheels, painted in Sterling Silver with black wheelarch extensions, body-coloured unique front and rear 'R' design bumpers and rear spoiler.

Inside, the theme continues with front sport seats and two-tone upholstery. R-Line logo on the front head restraints, leather multifunction steering wheel with aluminium inlay and R-Line logo and stainless steel pedals.

As befits its sporty styling and position in the range, the R-Line is available with the Tiguan's three most powerful engines. These are the 2.0-litre TSI with 210 PS and 4MOTION four-wheel

drive, plus Volkswagen's popular 2.0-litre common rail TDI engine with either 140 or 170 PS and 4MOTION.

All R-Line models come with a six-speed manual gearbox. Carbon dioxide emissions for all models are under 200 g/km: the petrol model emits 199 g/km, while the diesels are at 150 and 158 g/km for the 140 and 170 PS respectively.

Prices start at £28,020 for the R-Line 140 PS. There is a £680 premium for the 170 PS diesel, with the petrol model costing £28,435.

The model on test hit top speed at 116mph and reached 0-62mph in 10.2 seconds, while producing impressive figures of 48.7mpg on the combined cycle.

Bumper to bumper

VOLKSWAGEN TIGUAN

Model: R-Line TDI BlueMotion

Price: £28,500

Top speed: 116mph

0-62mph: 10.2secs

CO2 emissions: 150 g/km

Combined fuel: 48.7mpg

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Motoring



New Kuga from Ford is a winner all-round

I know you're supposed to choose your family transport with sensible features like boot space and economy at the top of the list – and driving pleasure near the bottom, bumping along with alloy wheel options and the cupholder count.

Well, Ford wasn't listening when this agenda was published and the new Kuga, a fresh take on the successful first version, goes straight to

By Ian Donaldson

the top of the class for anyone who doesn't want to lose the fun of driving, moving from a nimble hatch to family holdall.

And, after listening to the people who bought Kuga Mk1, the newcomer is roomier in the back and boot (but a tiny bit narrower and lower) and actually cheaper, model for model than the car it replaces. That shows both the pace of progress in making things for less, and per-

haps, reflects the sobering fact that today's new Ford faces a formidable 38 rivals, when only 19 threatened nine years ago.

Still, it's worth Ford giving the new Kuga its best shot. When the first ones arrived in 2008 the market for SUVs was modest; today the sports utility vehicle is the third largest new car sector.

And a highly profitable one, I'll wager, with buyers happy to add to the bottom line with tasty extras.

Prices now start at £20,895, more than £1,000 less than the last model's entry level version. That buys a 1.6 litre petrol Kuga in Zetec trim and front-wheel drive.

Only one in ten buyers are likely to take this route, preferring instead to head up the price list for a diesel with all four wheels driven. The range tops out at £29,795 for the automatic diesel in Titanium X trim, but the non-X Titanium test car is the predicted biggest seller.

That costs £355 less than before but adds a little more power and economy, along with easily folded rear seats (a single lever's tug each side), emergency assist, which calls 999 if you can't after a crash, hill start assist, which keeps the brakes on for a moment as you foot moves to the accelerator pedal, and enhanced cruise control with speed limiter.

Pay £700 more and you'll amaze your friends by opening the boot with a waggle of a foot beneath the rear bumper, where sensors detect your request and play Open Sesame. It closes the same way and would save you dropping arm-loads of shopping on a wet supermarket car park. Cheaper to buy less shopping, though.

Parked alongside the old model, the 2013 Kuga looks sharper and more interesting, with the same wraparound headlight treatment you'll find on a Focus, which also, more subtly, denotes the platform the car is built on and which makes it so good to drive.

Connected

Perhaps the opposition (newcomers from Honda and Toyota with CR-V and RAV4, respectively, spring to mind) lack the simple joy of driving that modern Fords almost always provide, and which the height and extra ground clearance of the Kuga does little to dilute.

The test car's 161bhp diesel pushed the Kuga along with poise and verve, its steering feeling utterly connected to the road and gears ready to click into the next ratio like something more Silverstone than Surbiton.

A brief foray off-road proved the Kuga will cope with flinty tracks and grassland churned gently towards mud by fellow Kugarists. A gymkhana parking field will hold no horrors.

It managed the road test route with a certain firmness, that was oddly, but pleasantly, lacking in a cheaper, less powerful diesel (£23,395 in Zetec trim) that also felt sweeter under the bonnet and hardly slower than its more powerful sibling. The bargain of the range, perhaps?



Extra ground clearance is a bonus



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SPORT

600 pupils try a new approach to hockey

MORE than 600 young people in Powys are trying a new approach to playing hockey.

Pupils across the county, including Welshpool, took part in a series of hockey parties organised by the Sports Development Team.

The format of the new style '4689' is based not on age, but ability. At first there are four players on each side progressing up to nine.

Katie Hamer, from Powys Hockey Agency, said: "Not only does the size of the playing area and number in a team gradually increase as the children's ability improves, but it's also a flexible and accessible format with no need for special equipment or play areas."

Progressed

"It also introduces children to coaching and umpiring at an early stage and goalkeeping is introduced at the advanced level, with fun-enabling activities to encourage all children to give goalkeeping a go."

Those who took part in the Hockey 4689 final included teams from Butington/Trewern Primary School, Banw Primary School, Llanaif Caereinion Primary School and Guilsfield Primary School.

Llanaif Caereinion and Guilsfield progressed to the Welsh Finals in Newtown held today (thurs).

Katie said: "The format allows children to play at their own level, at their own pace, with and against others of similar abilities. Utilised properly, it can provide children with the appropriate support and challenge they need to enjoy and succeed in hockey."

For more information on 4689, visit www.4689.org.uk or contact Katie Hamer on 01686 614063 or email katie.hamer@powys.gov.uk

Boys Club puts brake on leaders

OSWESTRY BOYS Club put the brakes on Ketley Town as they earned a creditable 2-2 draw with the runaway leaders in the Mercian Regional League premier division.

With one defeat in seven, with three wins and three draws, the Oswestry side look to keep up the good work at home to Wroxeter on Saturday as they look to cement their mid-table position in the table.

They currently lie eighth, and it will be hard to improve that as they are eight points adrift of the next side above them, Bishop's Castle.

They are seven points clear of Brown Clee, the team directly below them.

Results from across the golf courses

OSWESTRY Golf Club Sunday Morning Draw for Partners event No 10 on March 10 had 27 entries and was won by Frank Mottram & J Mike Jones with 57pts on countback followed by John Janicki & Colin Chilless also with 55. Alec Richardson & Ian Pearce was third with 56 on countback with John Bate & Simon Roberts in fourth place. Another pair on 56 pts was John Janicki & Paul Taylor in fifth with 58pts earning Terry Alexander & David Thomas pts sixth spot. Rules Question Winner was Simon Roberts.

The Sunday Morning Draw for Partners event No 11 on March 17 attracted 23 entries and was won by Vice-captain Ian Pearce & Peter Turner on countback with 54pts from



Anya Stojanovic with her cup

Squash star Anya in West Midlands squad

A PUPIL from a north Shropshire school received some great news via email from England Squash to confirm that she had been chosen to represent the West Midlands at the upcoming England Super Regions tournament in April.

The tournament is where all the regions in England come together with their best players to battle it out.

As part of her training Anya Stojanovic, a Year 6 pupil at Oswestry School, has been asked by England Squash to start entering tournaments in order to begin to gain

experience of the highs and lows of competitions.

In her first tournament a few months ago at Birmingham, although she lost in the first round, Anya went onto win the Plate.

At the weekend she travelled down to Gloucester and despite playing girls ranked as highly as no 8 in the UK, Anya won the under 11 tournament and took home the cup.

Jonathan Miles, Prep Department coach commented: "We are all very proud just how quickly Anya is developing as a player."



Champ Amanda Coulson

Boxing champ inspires pupils

PUPILS from Brynllwarch Hall School in Kerry, Powys have played host to 2011 Great British Women's Boxing Champion, Amanda Coulson, who visited the school as part of its Sky Sports Living for Sport project.

Amanda has been handpicked by the Youth Sport Trust to become a mentor because of her unique personal journey, overcoming a range of challenges to achieve sporting success. During the visit Amanda used her story of triumph over adversity to support teachers at Brynllwarch Hall School to motivate the pupils to be the best they can be.

Amanda said: "I came away from Brynllwarch Hall School feeling incredibly inspired by the commitment of the young people I met. Hearing how the pupils are putting their new skills and lessons they have learned into practice is a fantastic example of how sport has the power to change lives."

Eagles ease relegation fight fears with crushing victory

OSWESTRY II eased their basement concerns in the Raging Bull North West League division three (south) with a 59-0 romp against Hope Valley.

Heading into the game, the Eagles were only three points above the relegation zone and had prepared all week for a hard, physical game knowing they needed to grind out any type of positive result.

Champing at the bit, the border side set about Hope Valley with great force and accuracy, first stealing possession and then retaining their own ball with aplomb in tricky conditions.

The front row power of Dave Richardson, Steve Jarvis and Warren Howell laid the foundations, driving through the Hope Valley pack to turn the ball over.

From this quick back came the first try as easy hands through the backs gave room for

outside centre Nick Clay to dart round his opposite man to score under the posts.

Wanting to build on this, Oswestry maintained pressure and were quickly back into opposition territory, again with a scrum near to the line.

This time they did not turn the ball over cleanly as the ball squiring out on the Hope side, but outside Jerry Wilford was the first to react and picked up the loose ball for a real poacher's try.

By this stage, Oswestry had asserted their dominance in most areas of the game and it was clear that Hope heads had fallen.

The Eagles did not let up on the pressure and two

RUGBY
by John
Bridgwater



soon added a third try, this time it was fly half Luca Owen-Youens who powered over again through turnover ball with the Hope defence in disarray.

By this point, some of the Oswestry play became too loose and it was up to senior players such as James Evans and Steve Charmley to refocus the younger members of the team.

Boosted

Once they did that, the tries flowed for the Eagles who eventually ran out 59-0 winners with further touchdowns from Will Lewis, Matt Ashdown, Jamie Luckett, Adam Lloyd and Chris Crutchley.

Boosted by the win, the Eagles now head to relegation rivals Winton Park on Saturday knowing that a win would see them all but safe in the league.

OSWESTRY's first team, who halted a three match losing run with a 8-0 win over Wallasey in their last action, bid to maintain their winning form when they host Buxton in the South Lancs and Cheshire Two on Saturday.

● COBRA Youth kept their flag flying in the North Wales Youth Cup with a 7-5 home win over Dolgellau.

At Llanyrhedol Golf Club the Supporters' Event on Saturday, March 16, was won by Mal Smith, Roger Walker, John Cooke & Mike Shakeshaft with 111pts. Runners-up with 110pts on countback were Terry Williams, Chris Williams, Garry Pugh & Mark Kirkham followed by Ian Grivell, Gwyn Ashton, Nick Williams & Paul Middleton.

Thr "Pound in the Pot" Stableford on Sunday, March 17 was won by Phil Davies 33pts with Roy Jones second with 32pts and Paul Penrose third with 31pts.

Dave gets on his bike to mentor elite racing team



Paramount CRT team members, from left, are Rich Watson, Elliot Jones, Josh Williams, Chris Wilkinson and Dave Griffiths

FAMILY man and accomplished athlete Dave Griffiths of Oswestry has been handpicked to join Paramount Performance Cycle Racing Team.

Paramount CRT is a cycling club based in Shropshire which focuses on competitive road cycling, which includes road racing, time trialling, sportive and training.

Paramount Performance CRT is a new racing team formed within the club to provide a platform for local talent to progress in cycling.

Excited to be part of the team, Mr Griffiths said: "Paramount never used to have an elite team before. I think it's a great idea as it inspires other club members to try harder and they have got something to aim to get to."

His role within the team is to act alongside Rich Watson as a race craft mentor for the younger members, Elliot Jones, 18, Josh Williams, 20, and Chris Wilkinson, 20.

Mr Griffiths, who works as a consultant engineer in Shrewsbury, fits in his training during his commute to work and can often be sighted cycling between Oswestry and Shrewsbury.

Paramount CRT was created as a racing team 25 years ago and runs regular

club rides, big days out, training camps, races, reliability rides and social events.

Ben Lawrence, racing team manager and managing director of sponsors Beaumont Lawrence and Co, described Mr Griffiths as an essential part of the elite team.

He said: "This is a very talented team and we wanted to give our riders the best chance of achieving success in the sport and with help from Dave, they are well on their way to achieving that goal."

A devoted father of two, Mr Griffiths is keen to see his daughters, Megan and Jessica, follow in his footsteps.

He said: "Megan has a bike already. She sees it more as a toy for her toys and puts her dolls on it but we will get there eventually."

Prior to taking up cycling at the age of 28, Mr Griffiths had competed in a number of other sports.

From the age of 13-22, he was part of the national barefoot waterskiing team for Great Britain where he won first place in the junior championships three times as well as competing in both the European and World Championships.

He then decided to try his hand at amateur boxing where he accumulated a record of four wins and no losses.

League tables

Welshpool Dominoes

League

	P	W	L	F	A
Pinewood C.....	23	18	5	108	53
Sefton A.....	23	17	6	106	55
Celts.....	23	14	9	97	64
Pinewood A.....	23	14	9	88	73
Compasses.....	23	13	10	87	74
Waterloo.....	23	13	10	84	77
G/Dragon Butt B.....	23	11	12	81	80
Sun Inn.....	23	11	12	81	80
Cock P/A.....	23	11	14	70	91
Powis Arms P/Q.....	23	8	15	63	98
G/Dragon Butt A.....	23	7	16	62	99
Pinewood Dragons.....	23	7	16	62	99
Bowling Club.....	24	8	16	61	107

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A
Railway.....	25	20	5	119	56
Cock A.....	25	17	8	112	63
RAF Boys.....	25	13	12	94	81
Talbot.....	25	13	12	92	83
Westwood.....	25	13	12	90	85
Horsehoe.....	25	14	11	89	84
Westwood Wand.....	25	12	13	83	87
Grapes.....	25	14	11	85	90
Angel.....	25	12	13	84	91
Breidden.....	25	11	14	83	92
Kings Head.....	25	12	13	83	92
The Real Railway.....	25	11	14	81	94
Murels Bunch.....	25	11	14	80	93
Wellington.....	25	1	22	44	131

Wem Darts & Dominoes

League

DARTS

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Wem S & S.....	20	19	1	132	48	38
Hole in The Wall.....	20	16	4	117	63	32
Stanton Arms.....	20	14	6	117	63	28
Hawkestone Arms.....	20	14	6	111	69	28
Castle Hotel.....	20	14	6	110	70	28
Pres Club.....	20	12	7	105	66	24
Fox Inn.....	20	12	8	101	79	24
Wem Utd Services.....	20	7	13	80	104	14
Wem Cricket Club.....	20	4	16	57	123	8
Elephant & Castle.....	20	3	17	53	127	6
Red Castle.....	19	2	17	42	129	4
Dickens Arms.....	18	1	17	37	125	2

DOMINOES

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Red Castle.....	20	6	14	58	92	28
Wem Cricket Club.....	20	14	6	94	86	28
Stanton Arms.....	20	11	9	93	87	22
Dickens Arms.....	20	10	10	97	83	22
Wem S & S.....	20	10	10	97	83	20
Wem Utd Services.....	20	10	10	91	89	20
Elephant & Castle.....	20	10	10	90	90	20
Pres Club.....	20	10	10	88	92	20
Fox Inn.....	20	10	10	87	93	20
Castle Hotel.....	20	8	12	81	99	16
Hole in The Wall.....	20	7	13	87	93	14
Hawkestone Arms.....	20	6	14	77	103	12

Shropshire Chess League

DIVISION 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Newport A.....	12	11	1	143.5	16.5	22
Teleport A.....	12	10	2	141.5	17.5	21
Shrewsbury A.....	11	5	3	31	24	13
Priorlee Lions A.....	4	4	0	23.5	24.5	11
Shifnal & Telford A.....	12	4	6	28	32	10
Church Stretton A.....	12	3	6	27.5	32.5	9
Teleport B.....	12	2	9	13.5	45.5	5
Shifnal & Telford B.....	12	1	10	6.5	41.5	3

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Wellington A.....	11	0	0	40	15	21
Newport B.....	12	9	2	39	21	17
Priorlee Lions B.....	10	8	2	23.5	18.5	16
Shrewsbury B.....	11	5	5	15.5	22.5	10
Teleport C.....	12	4	7	28.5	31.5	9
Ludlow A.....	12	3	8	20.5	39.5	7
Shifnal & Telford C.....	12	3	9	21	39	6
Priorlee Lions C.....	12	2	10	18	42	4

DIVISION 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Shrewsbury C.....	12	7	2	23.5	17.5	17
Oswestry A.....	11	7	1	30	14	17
Wellington B.....	12	6	2	30	18	16
Newport D.....	12	5	2	28.5	19	16
Newport C.....	12	4	5	23.5	24.5	11
Oswestry B.....	12	2	6	20	28	8
Shifnal & Telford D.....	12	2	8	15	33	6
Teleport D.....	12	1	9	12	33.5	4

English Clubs

Championships

SOUTH LANCs/CHESHIRE 2

	P	W	D	L	BP	Pts
Sefton.....	21	0	1	17	97	
Douglas.....	21	0	2	14	90	
L'pool Collegiate.....	22	15	1	6	10	72
Dukinfield.....	21	13	7	1	11	65
Vegabonds.....	12	8	1	15	82	
Ormskirk.....	21	13	0	8	13	60
Oswestry.....	22	9	1	12	44	
Soudport.....	23	8	14	19	43	
Moore.....	21	9	0	12	38	
Wallasey.....	21	7	1	13	39	
Ramsay.....	21	8	0	13	34	
Marpole.....	22	5	0	16	30	
Oldershaw.....	21	5	0	16	26	
Buxton.....	22	3	1	18	21	

Race night date

NORTH Shropshire Sunday Football League is holding a race night at Oswestry Cricket Club tomorrow night (Friday, 7.30pm) to raise funds for the league. Admission is £2.50 which includes light refreshments.

Colts edge to victory

OSWESTRY Colts under-18s beat Ellesmere Rangers 4-3 with goals from players of the match Kevin Oakley, Jack Coleman, Daniel Carlyle and Robbie Allen.

SPORT

Rovers boost chances of top three spot

WATERLOO Rovers beat the deluge to boost their hopes of a top three finish in the Spar Mid Wales League division one with a comfortable 4-1 home success over lowly Carno.

After the previous week's disappointing Central Wales Cup exit at Aberaeron, the Welshpool side roared back to consolidate fifth place – and they are now just one point adrift of Four Crosses in third position.

A brace from Steve Laws and one from Barry Haralombus had Rovers three goals up at half time, before a monsoon turned the second half into a battle of attrition.

Carno did pull one back in the rain-lashed conditions but there was never any chance of Waterloo surrendering their advantage as Steve Jones ensured his side were home - if not dry – with a fourth goal.

WELSHPOOL TOWN had a wasted trip as they arrived at Aberystwyth University only to find the pitch waterlogged, with the game being postponed just half an hour before kick off.

It was a frustrating outcome for the Lilywhites who, looking to maintain their improvements, had a near full strength squad at their disposal.

Struggled

Torrential rain snow and sleet had a big say in the programme with **FOUR CROSSES** also left kicking their heels as their clash at struggling Dolgellau was also postponed due to a flooded surface.

BERRIEW were level 1-1 at half time at title chasing Llanidloes Town, before the clash was called off with the pitch at Victoria Avenue left unplayable after the heavens

opened. A saturated surface had made the going a lottery in the first half, with mistakes aplenty as players struggled to get a firm footing.

Christian Webster gave Berriew the lead following a defensive slip in the conditions but Liani, despite Gareth Mansell sending a penalty wide, were level at the break courtesy of Karl Seliearts.

But the wet weather had the last word, with the sides having to try again at a later date.

With Llanidloes' game off, surprise package Builth Wells took advantage to move top of the table by two points with a 7-0 romp against faltering Newbridge.

LLANSANTFFRAID VILLAGE picked up a valuable point courtesy of a hard-earned goalless draw at Aberaeron as they

bid to claw their way towards mid-table.

However, **DYFFRYN BANW** slipped closer to the relegation trap door after suffering a 3-1 home loss to fellow strugglers Bow Street.

After conceding a sloppy goal, Banw had the better of the first half and pulled level at the break courtesy of Guto Lewis, but a double strike from Bow Street after the interval effectively settled the outcome.

Action

After being frustrated by a waterlogged pitch last Saturday Welshpool were hoping to get back on the pitch when they hosted struggling Newbridge last night (Wednesday).

Llansantffraid Village were also in action at home to Montgomery last night, while Carno visited title chasing Llanidloes Town.

Guildsfield unbeaten run is ended by runaway leaders

GUILDSFIELD's unbeaten run of eight games in all competitions came to an end as they were edged out 2-1 at home to runaway leaders Rhyl in a rain soaked Cymru Alliance affair.

After a goalless first half, Gareth Jones gave the Guilds hope of springing a surprise when he put the home side ahead just two minutes after the re-start.

But Rhyl, who remain unbeaten in 25 league games this term, roared back as they capitalised on a couple of defensive slips, with Steve Lewis levelling from the penalty spot before defender Dave Forbes bagged what proved the winner on the hour.

Guildsfield were up for the challenge throughout in miserable conditions and would have been disappointed to emerge empty handed after pushing the champions-elect all the way.

Rhyl had the majority of possession in the early stages but keeper Dave Littleford and the home defence looked comfortable despite the pacy threat of Rhyl wideman James Gambino.

Surrender

Guildsfield's spirit galvanised after Liam Benson's shocking challenge on home striker Will Thomas midway through the first half resulted in only a yellow card, with the ensuing 20-man melee showing the villagers were up for the battle.

The second period began with the rain still lashing down but Thomas' cross just two minutes after the break found Gareth Jones on the edge of the box and the long serving midfielder slotted home to give the home side something for Rhyl to think about.

The league leaders showed their mettle by pushing forward and the Guilds pressed the self-destruct button as first Ian Probert gave away a soft

Strugglers slip closer to drop

BASEMENT strugglers Llannhaeadr slipped closer to the drop from the Cymru Alliance after going down 3-1 at home to Porthmadog.

Despite their efforts, the villagers earned little reward, and now find themselves seven points adrift of safety with time and games running out.

They trailed at the break to a fine strike from Ceri James on 35 minutes, while Graham Boyland doubled the Port lead with a well taken second on the hour mark.

Leveller

Llannhaeadr had their opportunities, more than matching their visitors, but could not force a way back until Josh Wood headed home an inswinging corner from Boris Martinez four minutes from time.

They stormed forward in a bid for a leveller but, after pushing everyone up for a corner including the keeper, were caught on the break as Leon Newell struck a third for the visitors deep in injury time.

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by John Bridgwater

Lions promotion hopes dented by draw at home



The Oswestry Lions team before their frustrating goalless home draw with Cleef Hill

PROMOTION-chasing Oswestry Lions saw their challenge in the Merican Regional League division one frustrated by a goalless deadlock at home to Cleef Hill.

After the previous week's disappointing 4-1 loss to local rivals Oswestry Boys Club, Nick Maguire's side were looking to bounce back.

But they found their visitors in uncompromising mood, with the tone of the game set after the first 10 minutes when, very much like the previous week, the visitors packed the defence and looked to hit the Lions on the break.

The Oswestry hosts again controlled the ball but were struggling to find a breakthrough with the best chance of the game falling to Graeme Kirkham on the half hour after some great work by striker Chris Bishop, but his shot flew just over the bar. Wing backs Joe Evans and Nigel Woodcock were pushing forward and working well with wingers Harry Davies and Graeme Kirkham, but they were still struggling to find the main threats of Bright and Bishop.

Merican Regional Football League
Division one: Brown Cleef, Woodward Wood Juniors 1; Meole Brace 2; Prees 3; Oswestry Boys Club 2; Kelley Town 2; Rock Rovers 6; Shawbury Utd Reserves 2; Wroxeter Rovers 2; Bishops Castle Town 1.

DIVISION 1					
	P	W	L	F	A
Kelley Town	20	16	2	98	27
Prees FC	22	16	6	88	39
Rock Rovers FC	18	14	1	82	29
Oswestry Lions	22	14	5	75	39
Wroxeter Rovers	20	14	5	73	31
Madeley Sports	19	13	6	62	40
Bishops Castle T.	20	11	5	61	34
Oswestry BC	20	8	7	38	33
Brown Cleef	19	7	11	40	55
Cleef Hill	17	5	9	33	51
Meole Brace	22	5	15	39	77
Hopesgate United	17	3	13	33	73
Morda Utd Res	19	3	15	28	90
Shawbury Utd Res	22	2	18	19	102
Wrock Wood Jnr	19	1	17	26	100

It remained goalless at the break but the home side were happy with the style of play and amount of possession they were enjoying.

The second half started in they same vein as the first with midfielders Tom Stedman and Ben Williams controlling the game but still failing to find that killer ball to the usually deadly duo.

Midway through the half the Cleef keeper made a smart save when Bishop leapt well at the back post, and moments later Bishop was through on goal only to get a push in the back but the referee had other ideas



Lions defender Nigel Woodcock, left, covers a player

and let play continue. As the game entered the last quarter, Bishop's free kick whistled past the wrong side of the upright while, in the closing minutes, Adam Jones saw his 20-yard shot skim the cross bar.

Some good solid defending helped the visitors hold on to well fought point leaving the Lions once again disappointed not to have taken all three points and drop to

fourth in the league.

Manager Maguire praised the players for their 100 per cent effort and hopes they find their shooting boots on Saturday when they entertain Bishop's Castle at the Venue (3pm).

Last week's game at Park Hall did not kick off until 5.30pm as TNS's televised clash with Bangor City was being played earlier in the afternoon.

Llanfair edge closer to title after beating nearest rivals

LLANFAIR United took a major step towards the Spar Mid Wales League division two crown with a 3-2 home verdict over their chief rivals Llandrindod Wells.

A late penalty from Chris Gethin secured the seventh win in a row for Rhys Stephens' men against the only side who could realistically challenge for the crown.

They are now 10 points clear with a game in hand, and need just one more point to make sure of promotion when they head to Rhosgog on Saturday.

Geraint Jones headed Llanfair into the lead last week and, although Llandod levelled, the hosts were back in front before half time when Paul Griffiths volleyed home from outside the box. The visitors levelled with a dubious spot

kick but Llanfair snatched the points with an equally debatable spot kick courtesy of Gethin.

Elsewhere, the ER Jenkins League division two cup took centre stage, but **LLANFYLLIN's** hopes of progress were dashed as they crashed out with a 4-0 home exit to Aberdilly.

Kerry also went out 4-1 to visiting Talgarth but Abermule kept their flag flying after seeing off Bont 4-3 in their second round clash.

Hay St Mary's marched on with a 4-3 passage at Rhosgog while Machynlleth progressed without kicking a ball in anger after visiting Knighton forfeited their clash as they were unable to raise a side.

MONTGOMERY's hopes of tasting Central Wales Cup glory were dashed as they went out of the competition with a 3-2 quarter-final loss at Tywyn Brynrcrug, the tie being decided in extra time.

Twyn now meet Guildsfield in the last four, while Rhayader Town take on Aberaeron in the other semi final.

Super Morda in top spot again

MORDA United are back on the summit of the Merican Regional League premier division after reeling off their fifth straight win – and prospects of lifting the title were further boosted with a shock defeat of chief rivals AFC Ludlow.

With previous pacesetters Church Stretton not playing, the Weston Road men took full advantage with a 4-1 win at rain-soaked Whitchurch Alport.

Elsewhere, results could not have gone much better for Craig Rogers' side with chief rivals Ludlow suffering a one-goal loss to Wellington Amateur reserves.

Boss Rogers was delighted to return with the points in a hard-fought affair adding: "It was a tough game, and there could easily have been five sent off, and no one could have had any complaints."

"The strength of the squad at the moment is exactly what we need for this time of year. Everyone is hungry to be involved and push and win this league."

Morda were made to battle against a hard working and combative Whitchurch team on a difficult pitch but made the perfect start when taking the lead within the opening two minutes.

The hosts failed to clear a Shin Miah corner and Kev McGarvey struck a wayward shot from 30 yards, but Tom Coulson got his head to the shot and guided it past the keeper.

Whitchurch hit back when heading home from a free kick, before the game descended into a scrappy spell.

A square at the break, Morda got their noses back in front soon after the interval when Kev McGarvey's shot was parried away by

League table and results**Spar Mid Wales League**

Division one: Aberaeron 0, Llansantffraid Village 0; Builth Wells 7, Newbridge-on-Wye 0; Dyffryn Banw 1, Bow Street 3; Waterloo 4, Carno 1.

Division two: Llanfair Utd 3, Llandrindod Wells 2.

ER Jenkins League Cup Division two, round one: Abermule 4, Bont 3; Kerry 1, Talgarth 4; Llanyfyllin 0, Aberdilly 4; Machynlleth w/o; Knighton; Rhosgog 3, Hay St Mary's 4.

DIVISION 1					
	P	W	L	F	A
Builth Wells	22	14	4	58	32
Llanidloes	18	14	2	80	22
Four Crosses	19	12	4	50	29
Berriew	22	11	6	51	27
Waterloo	19	12	5	48	34
Montgomery	17	10	6	45	35
Aberaeron	21	10	8	35	26
Twyn/Brynrcrug	17	10	6	48	30
Bow Street	19	8	4	45	29
Bow Street	18	6	5	47	45
Llansantffraid	21	7	10	49	46
Carno	20	7	11	34	39
Welshpool	25	7	17	38	74
Newbridge	20	6	11	36	61
Dyffryn Banw	23	3	20	26	93
Dolgellau	22	2	20	16	99

DIVISION 2					
	P	W	L	F	A
Llanfair Utd	17	16	0	66	12
Llandrindod Wells	19	13	5	52	22
Knighton	19	10	5	47	32
Rhosgog	20	9	5	56	32
Aberdilly	17	9	7	28	34
Prestige	17	7	7	48	49
Hay St Mary's	17	7	9	52	54
Machynlleth	16	7	4	41	23
Talgarth	22	5	12	35	58
Llanfyllin	14	5	6	30	36
Abermule	19	5	12	30	57
Bont	18	4	12	26	55

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Merican Regional Football League**PREMIER DIVISION**

	P	W	L	F	A
Morda United	18	12	3	48	25
Church Stretton	19	11	4	39	33
AFC Ludlow	16	11	3	45	16
Telford Juniors	17	9	3	28	17
FC Hodnet	17	9	6	30	21
Shinhal United 97	18	7	8	29	28
Alcott	20	6	9	39	41
Kelley Bank Utd	19	6	10	26	41
Oakengates Ath	16	6	8	33	29
Wellington Arms R	15	6	7	23	20
Weston Rhyn	19	4	13	18	38
Whitchurch Alp R	16	2	9	22	41
Dawley Town	12	2	9	10	31

the keeper only to find Marc Griffiths who poked home from close range.

With half an hour remaining, Morda introduced Gary Meredith and the forward made an immediate impact with his pace when he was brought down in the box, and Tom Coulson, who missed his last spot kick in the previous game, showed no sign of nerves to fire the ball into the net.

The game was put to bed in the last five minutes when Shawn Melusi was released down the left and his cross found Gaz Lewis who neatly beat defender and keeper to tap home.

● **MORDA RESERVES**, whose first division clash with Madeley Sports last week was postponed, entertain fellow strugglers Shawbury United reserves on Saturday (3pm).

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Ellesmere escape on as Tipton thumped

**Ellesmere 4
Tipton Town 2**

ELLESMERE fans could soon be humming the tune from The Great Escape as they watched their side demolish their fourth placed visitors to complete a haul of seven Midland Alliance points in a week.

After enduring scoring problems all season, Ellesmere opened in sensational style with two goals in two minutes.

First, Connor Courtney smashed a superb free kick from wide out right which everyone lunged for but no-one got a touch as it found the opposite corner of the net inside two minutes.

The second came inside five minutes when Jamie Haynes send a corner to the far post where defender James O'Reilly headed home at the far post for an astounding opening.

The visitors reacted immediately and were level with two goals of their own as first Danny Dubidat reacted first to a free kick which fell invitingly to him inside the box after five minutes and completed the recovery through Karl Edwards who fired home a ball pulled back by the dangerous Nigel Penny.

Edwards almost scored again from a Penny cross but his final shot was just blocked at the crucial second.

Deflection

The turning point of the game came when Tipton's Penny was forced off with injury along with their keeper Jack Hayfield who aggravated a pre-existing injury when he turned over another dangerous Courtney corner and was replaced by debutant Ryan Kimberley.

The deteriorating conditions also suited Ellesmere better as they began to run the game after the break.

The breakthrough came on 61 minutes when the industrious Josh Brown stole the ball from Tipton's left back Reuben Wilson, cut in from the flank and with everyone expecting a pull back he lashed a shot into the roof of the net from a narrow angle.

Twenty one minutes later the points were secure when a clearance from the Tipton box arrived at the feet of George Durrell 30 yards from goal and his shot took a slight deflection as it swerved into the Tipton net.

Although Ellesmere could not relax, they played out the rest of the game without too much alarm.

St Martins slip closer to bottom

A FIFTH straight defeat sees St Martins being dragged closer to the relegation pack in the West Midlands League division one after they succumbed 3-1 at home to Stone Old Alleynians.

The Saints were all square at 1-1 at the break, with Jamie Williams getting their reply, but the visitors struck twice in the second period to take the spoils as the Saints' barren run continues.

However, they can take heart from the fact that the sides below them are also struggling to pick up points.

Having been hampered with a number of players missing, the Saints bid to halt their slump on Saturday when they visit Warstone Wanderers who themselves were hammered 8-0 at Wem last week.

Defending champions 13 points clear at top



Chris Jones battles with Levi Mackin



Greg Draper tussles for the ball

League table

Welsh Premier		
	P	Pts
New Saints	26	58
Airbus	26	45
Bangor	27	44
Port Talbot	27	39
Prestatyn	27	37
Carmarthen	25	33
Bala Town	27	41
Connah's	26	33
Llanelli AFC	27	33
Aberystwyth	27	31
Newtown	26	30
Alan Lido	25	17

TNS upcoming fixtures
Sun, March 24 v Port Talbot (a), 2.30, Sat, March 30 v Carmarthen Tn (h), 2.30, Sat, April 4 v Bangor (Cup) 2.30, Fri, April 12 v Airbus UK (7.45), Tues, April 16 v Carmarthen Tn (a) 7.30.



Simon Spender contests with Bangor's Sion Edwards

Saints marching on to the title as Bangor hit for six

The New Saints 6 Bangor City 0

ALEX Darlington and Mike Wilde produced a five goal double act as The New Saints continued their relentless march to the Welsh Premier crown with an emphatic victory over Bangor City.

After Wilde had set the runaway leaders on course with a well-taken brace, Darlington then weighed in with a hat-trick to put the Saints on the brink of the title with a surprisingly comfortable victory against a side who had arrived at Park Hall in second spot.

Substitute Matty Williams completed the romp with a late penalty as the Saints underlined the gulf between the leaders and the rest of the pack to put one hand firmly on the championship crown.

Victory now sees the defending champions move 13 points clear at the top from Airbus

UK who are back up to second with a 2-0 victory over Port Talbot as they battle to hang onto the tails of the pacemakers.

With six games left, the Saints need just six points to make sure of the title, and could feasibly wrap up the crown next Sunday if they win at Port Talbot - should results elsewhere go in their favour.

But director of football Craig Harrison refuses to get carried away despite his side looking certain to land the title with time to spare.

Volleyed

"Obviously we're in a terrific position, but you can't afford to let your guard drop," he said.

"We'll keep working hard and remain focused. Our aim, as it always is, is to win every game we play."

"I thought the lads were fantastic against Bangor bar the first 15 minutes. The first goal was important, once we got that it changed the game. We showed a lot of movement and threat, not just from a couple of players, but from five or six players."

Bangor's plans were disrupted before kick off with skipper Jamie Brewerton suffering a dislocated knee in the warm-up, and their frailties at the back were exposed in ruthless fashion as Wilde and Darlington ran

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by John Bridgewater

amok. TNS opened with a couple of half chances, with Wilde heading harmlessly wide on angle from Alex Darlington's cross from the left byline, while Chris Jones was also off target from outside the box in another raid.

At the other end, Kris Thomas showed positive intent in the fourth minute when launching a strong run before driving his 25-yard shot just over, while City's Chris Jones volleyed wide on 10 minutes.

Bangor would have been relatively happy with their opening, but the Saints seized the initiative with three goals before half time, courtesy of some clinical finishing against a Citizens defence that was prised open in with alarming regularity.

The Oswestry men never looked back after made the breakthrough on 27 minutes with a well worked build-up on the right, Fraughan finding Aeron Edwards who neatly slipped the ball into the path of the incoming Wilde who broke into the box before coolly slotting past advancing keeper Lee

Idzi. Fraughan went close to doubling the lead when lobbing Idzi from 30 yards but the ball clattered against the bar with the keeper well beaten.

The Saints, however, were not to be denied a second in the 33rd minute as Chris Jones broke from deep in his own half, shrugged off a couple of challenges before teeing up Wilde on the edge of the box and the striker curled a superb first time effort into the top right hand corner.

Bangor were again at full stretch just moments later, Idzi this time advancing to deny Wilde from a tight angle following more swift movement and passing from the high-flying hosts.

Emphatic

But TNS effectively made the points safe in first half stoppage time when a long ball from keeper Paul Harrison eluded the Citizens defence and Darlington neatly lifted the ball over Idzi from the edge of the box.

Bangor rarely threatened to retrieve the game after the break, and it was the Saints who looked the more likely to add to their goal tally.

Fraughan broke down the right seven minutes after the break and squared for Wilde but the forward spurned a golden chance to complete his hat-trick when blazing his first time effort over.

But the Oswestry men did not have long to wait before adding a fourth on 53 minutes when the visitors lost possession in midfield to Chris Jones, who broke forward before releasing Darlington who tucked his low shot past Idzi from 12 yards.

The Citizens were again left exposed moments later but Jones, free on the left, fired wide when well placed, but their respite was short lived.

Another incisive break brought a fifth goal on 57 minutes as Aeron Edwards



Substitute Matty Williams scores TNS's fifth from the penalty spot

cut through the heart of the defence before teeing up Darlington who cut inside his marker and slotted low into the net to complete his hat-trick.

In a bid to stem the flow, Bangor made three substitutions just past the hour mark and were spared more damage as Fraughan fired over while substitute Greg Draper had an effort ruled out for offside.

After such an emphatic victory, it appears just a matter of time before the Saints secure another league crown, with Darlington having now taken his goal tally in the league to 15, while Wilde has two more than his team-mate with 17.

It was a disappointing outcome for Bangor whose six-goal loss equalled their worst away defeat in the league, and the reverse has seriously dented their hopes of finishing runners-up.



OFFICIALS from TNS visited Our Lady and Saint Oswald's Primary School in Oswestry ahead of the show-down with Bangor City. Coach Scott Ruscoe, along with Gilbert Woolley and Craig Edwards, are pictured with mascot, Spot the Dog and two pupils. The Saints handed out tickets for the big match along with posters of the first team squad and a signed TNS shirt to the school.

Dragons feel the heat but Lions roar to good victory

Llanymynech's under 13 Dragons were beaten 6-2 at Ellesmere on Sunday.

Llanymynech started well and were the better team in the opening 15 minutes, however it was the home side that were more clinical in front of goal and found themselves 3-0 at the break.

A spirited fight back in the second half saw Llanymynech score twice through Ieuan Benbow, but again Ellesmere took their chances and ended up winning the game 6-2. Man of the Match was Tom Shelton.

The under 13 Lions had a tight 3-2 home victory over Market Drayton Tiger Colts. The home side took some time to get going but as the first half progressed they started to carve out some good chances. However it took a bit of luck for the home side to take the lead after an attempted clearance from Market Drayton following a low cross was sliced into their own net.

Deflected

The home side continued to create some good chances but the away keeper was in good form and kept Market Drayton in the game.

Market Drayton equalised five minutes before half time through a powerful low drive. These last five minutes proved pivotal with firstly Llanymynech firing in a series of shots which eventually led to the second goal when a shot was deflected in for the second own goal and then a minute later Xavier Clarke calmly slotted in from six yards.

The second half started with an away goal when Llanymynech failed to deal with a hopeful ball down the right channel, however Llanymynech then defended superbly and in the end were unlucky not to win by more with the away keeper and the woodwork keeping Llanymynech out.

Man of the Match was Ryan Jones for an excellent performance at right back.

Trefonen in relegation fight after home loss

TREFONEN remain tantalisingly close to the drop zone in the JT Hughes Montgomeryshire League division one after suffering a 2-1 home loss to revitalised Meifod.

Goals from Alun Hughes and Simon Hughes lifted the visitors up to fifth in the table, while Owen Davies responded for Trefonen who remain just one point outside the bottom two.

At the other end of the table, WATERLOO RES are top by one point after their 5-3 home verdict against Llangedwyn with Shaun Roberts netting a hat-trick.

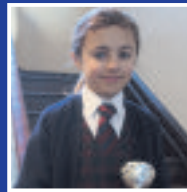
Mike Evans and Mike Booth also found the net, with Nick Jones (2) and Mark Jones keeping the visitors in the hunt.

ABERMULE RES saw their promotion hopes in the Mitsubishi division two suffer a setback after going down 3-2 at Newtown reserves who took the spoils through Luke Jarman, Nick Turner and Arman Lewis, while Dave Laird and Richard Davies replied.

GUILDFIELD RES missed out on a place in the final of the Llansantffraid Village Cup after crashing to an 8-2 exit against Caersws reserves in their semi-final clash.

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Town aim to finish season on high note

DESPITE seeing his side's revival dampened by the wet weather, Welshpool Town boss Dave Jones believes the Lilywhites can finish the season on a high.

They now look to be clear of any basement danger in the Spar Mid Wales League division one, and their recent improvements have coincided with the fact that Jones has more power to his elbow with regards selection.

"We're close to full strength and we're more than a match for most teams," he said.

With a 15-man squad at his disposal last week, he would have been disappointed that his side's clash at Aberystwyth University was postponed.

All being well, Pool were back on the pitch at home to struggling Newbridge last night (Wednesday), a game they really must win, before hosting Four Crosses on Saturday.

"If we play like we can, then we can get points from both games," added Jones.

WATERLOO ROVERS hit the road this week as they bid to push for a top three finish, with a trip to Berriew last night (Wednesday) followed by a clash at Aberaeron on Saturday as they seek to avenge a recent defeat in the Centrals Wales Cup.

Meanwhile, two goals from Barry Bellis failed to stop **MONTGOMERY** from bowing out of the Central Wales Cup with a 3-2 extra time defeat at Spar Mid Wales League rivals Tywyn Brynrcrug in the quarter-final.

They were looking to bounce back at LLAN-SANTFFRAID VILLAGE last night (Wed) as they bid to press their title claims before facing a crunch showdown at league favourites Llanidloes Town on Saturday.

Title push is maintained

WELSHPOOL Ladies maintained their title push in the North Wales Womens Hockey League division one with a crucial 1-0 home win over rivals Ruthin.

The victory lifted the Powys side into second spot, just three points behind leaders Newtown who were 2-0 winners at Llanfair ladie.

Pool, who have again in hand on the pacesetters, had a chance to turn up the heat this week when they were due to visit rivals Llanfair last night (wed), the first of four away games.

Adele wins both shot and discus

WELSHPOOL'S rising athletic star Adele Nicolli has her sights firmly set on the World Youth Championships after weekend wins in both shot and discus events.

The 16-year-old Welshpool High School pupil recorded a personal best to win the Under-17 ladies shot in the World Indoor Throwing Championship in Vaxjo, Sweden.

Compete

Her throw of 15.64metres was a new British record and also achieved the UK athletics qualifying standard for the World youth championships for the 3kg shot.

And the youngster doubled up Under-17 discus event too, with a throw of 40.8metres. She will now go forward to compete in the World Youth Championships in Donetsk, Ukraine in July.



Rising star Adele Nicolli

Morda fired up for cup tie clash with top league rivals

MORDA United hit the road again as they bid to maintain their quest for silverware this season in Saturday's trip to AFC Ludlow in the delayed Mercian Regional League premier division cup quarter-final (3pm).

Having returned to the top of the league with last week's 4-1 victory at lowly Whitchurch Alport, the Weston Road men are in good shape as they prepare to play their seventh successive away game.

The tie pits together the two chief rivals vying for the league crown, and Morda boss Craig Rogers is keen to avenge a defeat earlier in the season.

But Ludlow are certain to prove stern opponents on home surrounds, and would have been stung by last week's surprise 1-0 home defeat to

Wellington Amateur reserves to dent their title hopes.

"It will be nice to have some cup football at Ludlow to move away from league pressures," said Morda boss Rogers.

"Obviously it's a tough test for us as Ludlow are a top side in the league and will want to bounce back from last week's defeat. Every game counts for a lot now."

The two sides met in the league earlier in the season at the SBS Stadium, with Ludlow running out 3-1 winners, although Morda protested that they fielded a player without international clearance that day.

The league have ruled that the match should be played again, although Ludlow have appealed the decision.

Rangers on win spree

ELLESMERE RANGERS gave their Midland Alliance relegation battle another shot in the arm with a 2-0 victory at Heather St John's.

Goals from Steve O'Reilly and Connor Courtney in either half earned the Mere-man their third win in their last four games last night.

They are now just one point adrift at the foot of the table and boss Delwyn Humphreys has spotted a route to safety he could barely have contemplated less than a month ago.

"We were stranded 12 to 13 points at the bottom. But the work-rate of the players has been phenomenal," said the Rangers manager.

"It will be the first time on Saturday (v Highgate United) that we can go above a team in the league. Then we've got Heath Hayes, who are just above us, twice in a couple of weeks."

Relegation fight blow

LLANRHAeadr's hopes of much needed points were frustrated by the weather as their Cymru Alliance trip to Buckley Town on Tuesday night was postponed.

Victory would have lifted the villagers off the foot of the table.

On Saturday, Llanrhaeadr will hope to be back to action when they host Flint, desperately needing points as they battle to escape the clutches of relegation.

GUILDFIELD, who suffered their first defeat in eight outings when going down 2-1 at home to Rhyl last week, bid for a swift reprieve at strugglers Ruthin Town on Saturday.

Veteran shines at the seaside

A CHESS playing trip to the seaside saw veteran John Davies of the Oswestry club return £550 richer after brushing aside all opposition at the Blackpool Chess Conference.

Davies won all his five games in the Minor section to take the £500 first prize and, in addition, he was also awarded the Veterans prize, which added another £50 to his haul.

In the Shropshire Chess League where, Oswestry B finished 2-2 at Newport D (Newport names first): R Szewajkun 1, defeat C: S Szewajkun 0, K Bacon 1; S Cooper 0, A Evans 1; L Clarke 1, J Molyneux 0.

TNS COACH PLAYS DOWN TITLE TALK

THE New Saints could be crowned Welsh Premier champions by the end of weekend – but head coach Carl Darlington insists the league's runaway leaders won't be distracted by any talk of the title.

The 6-0 battering of Bangor City put the defending champions 13 points clear with six games to play, and on the verge of back-to-back championships.

Their next assignment is a clash at Port Talbot on Sunday – and TNS could be making the trip south with a chance of sealing the league title at the GenQuip Stadium should second placed Airbus UK lose at Carmarthen the day before.

Darlington, however, stressed that the Saints have not dwelled on the prospect of being champions this weekend – with more than a month to spare.

"We are aware there is a chance we can win the title on Sunday if Airbus lose the day before and we win at Port Talbot, but we're not getting too far ahead of ourselves," he said.

"Our aim is to win on Sunday, like we do every game, and see what happens."

"The players enjoyed the win against Bangor, overall it was a very professional performance, but they know they are not there yet. They now need to maintain those standards and consistency, and not get distracted by talk of titles."

Darlington, meanwhile, was delighted with last week's performance against Bangor that has now put TNS in sight of the title.

"As well as scoring six goals, the most pleasing thing was that we restricted Bangor to just one shot on goal in the whole game."

"But it wasn't just about last Saturday, it's been

by John Bridgwater

Steve in Hall of Fame

HE may be forced to sit out of The New Saints' title pursuit due to injury, but defender Steve Evans has been handed a boost after becoming the latest player to be inducted into the Welsh Premier's Hall of Fame.

Evans is one of the league's most successful players, first joining the Saints in 1999 and was one of the cornerstones of a side which won the league title in 2000.

He led the Saints to the double in 2004/05 and he the league's player of the year.

After leading the Saints to another title in 2006, he was signed by Wrexham where he also won seven international caps for Wales before



TNS defender Steve Evans in league's Hall of Fame returning to Park Hall in 2009.

He clinched another championship with the Saints in 2010 before collecting a fourth title and a second double in 2012.

The Saints are on the verge of another league and cup this year.

about the last two months since the league split. We're unbeaten in our last 11 games, have scored 16 goals in our last four games, and conceded just one, which is a tremendous record," he said.

Midfielder Sam Finley is still suspended while Chris Seargeant faces a fitness

check on a hamstring injury.

Although winning 3-1 in their last visit to Port Talbot, the Saints have a modest record at the GenQuip Stadium where they have lost four times in the last six seasons, while drawing twice and coming away with just two wins



TNS hat-trick hero Alex Darlington slots past keeper Lee Idzi to make it 4-0 Darlington is manager of the month

TNS head coach Carl Darlington has been named the Welsh Premier's manager of the month for February after the title chasing Saints won all three games played.

First up they beat Aberystwyth Town 3-0, then Port Talbot Town 5-0 both at Park Hall, before securing a crucial 2-1 win at title rivals Airbus UK.

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